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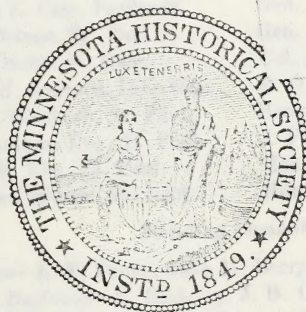
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REPORT.

In presenting this report of the condition of the Society, and of its operations for the past two years, we may very properly begin by stating that at no previous period has it been in such a satisfactory state of prosperity. Further details, showing the progress we have made, and the present standing of the Society, will be found set forth in another part of this report. In general, it can be stated that in all the departments of our work, a gratifying advance has been made, and though no unusual features have been developed during the past two years, and no unusually large accessions made, a calm, steady and healthful growth has rewarded our efforts.

The work of a historical society, like this, may be expressed as follows:

I. (1) The Collection, (2) the Preservation, and (3) the Publication, of materials for the History of Minnesota.

II. The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference in the most valuable departments of knowledge, especially on American History, and that of the State.

III. The diffusion among the citizens of the State of useful knowledge.

THE LIBRARY.

The Library portion of our work has been very successful during 1879 and 1880, the increase being more than we have generally been able to report.

On Jan. 1, 1879, there were in the Library 7,469 bound, and 11,284 unbound volumes. During that year, there were received from all sources, 764 bound, and 400 unbound volumes (in addition to 1,400 contained in the Ramsey collection), together with 7 maps, 26 curiosities, 61 photographs and engravings, etc., total, 1,278 articles. The sources from which the bound volumes were received,

were : by gift, 393 ; by purchase, 190 ; exchanges, 5 ; binding, 118.

On Jan. 1, 1880, there were in the Library 8,208 bound, and 11,684 unbound volumes. During 1880 there were added from all sources, 414 bound, and 493 unbound volumes, together with 67 photographs or engravings, 12 archaeological or historical curiosities, 41 specimens of currency, 22 manuscripts, 38 maps, etc. The sources from which the bound volumes were added, were : gift, 115 ; purchase, 283 ; binding, 138 ; exchange, 20.

On Jan. 1, 1881, there were in the Library 8,624 bound, and 12,177 unbound volumes. Total, 20,701.

PURCHASES.

From the foregoing statistics, it will be seen that during 1879 we were enabled to purchase 190 volumes, and during 1880,—283. During the former year, \$683.61 were expended in this manner, and during 1880,—\$630.35. The average price paid for books in 1879, was \$3 per volume, and during 1880,—\$2.10 per volume. The first named sum is the highest average price yet paid by us, and is due to the fact that we have been engaged, more than usual, in buying dictionaries, encyclopedias and similar works which are necessarily high priced. A few such books as these make quite a total of expenditure. Of course, in our purchasing we have never bought with a view to numbers, or quantity. Our object has been to enrich our Library with works best calculated to make it a valuable and complete collection. For instance, of the works incidentally referred to above—encyclopedias and dictionaries, we aim to have a department as complete as possible. We are endeavoring to procure dictionaries of every living language of Europe, and of some of the prominent Asiatic languages, besides all philological works throwing light on the growth and development of our own tongue. These are works which scholars and students naturally look to this Society to procure. Yet they are high priced, and can only be had by carefully watching the catalogues of book dealers in England and America.

There are still several classes of works of which we have almost none, and our collection cannot be approximately complete until we secure them. It might be urged, that we do not need them, and can do without them. But the public, for whose use we are collecting, makes frequent and importunate demands for them. The works referred to are scarce, high priced illustrated works. They are not kept by ordinary circulating libraries, and their cost precludes most persons from purchasing them for their private li-

braries. Hence they look to us to procure them. So far as we can, we propose to do so. Our Library committee have, for a long time, been solving the problem of how to make a small amount of money perform a considerable amount of purchasing service. Their plans for purchasing cheaply and to the best possible advantage, are based on ample experience in the past. We believe they can be safely trusted with the building up of a symmetrical and valuable Library. The question has sometimes been asked, why was this or that book purchased. Taken alone, there might be grounds for such an inquiry. Whereas, the fact probably is, that the book is one of a series, or group, which we are completing little by little, as we have chance or means. With our limited funds, this work must necessarily be slow. We ought to have, and expend every year, not less than \$1,500 or \$2,000 in the purchase of books alone. This amount, though not large in itself, will enable us in a very few years, to make our Library such a one as we ought to have, and which will afford to scholars and investigators making use of it, such works as they need.

BINDING.

During the past two years, we have used diligent efforts to have all the binding done, which appeared to be of the most pressing importance. Of newspapers, alone, we have had 146 volumes bound in a strong and durable manner, besides quantities of pamphlets, magazines and serials. The difficulty of getting work of this kind executed promptly, and at reasonable rates and in creditable style, has deterred us from making more advance in this department. It is our hope, notwithstanding this fact, to be able to continue the binding from time to time, preventing it from accumulating, and bringing up all the arrearages which want of facilities hitherto has caused.

GIFTS.

Notwithstanding the fact that we have always had generous and uninterrupted gifts, the past two years have seen more than during any previous term. Allusion was made in our last report, (Jan., 1879) to the splendid contributions made by Hon. Alex. Ramsey, and Col. E. S. Goodrich, which were not at that time received, our new rooms not being quite in readiness. They were, soon after, got in hand, and now form a valuable portion of our library.

The gift of Hon. Alex. Ramsey consisted of nearly one thousand volumes. Among these were 33 very acceptable volumes of Minne-

sota newspapers, from 1849 to 1876,—forty volumes of bound pamphlets, containing about 1400 separate documents; 38 do. Congressional Globe and Record, and about 800 miscellaneous Congressional documents. A portion of the latter are duplicates of volumes which we already had, but can be exchanged for an equivalent value in other books. Altogether, this was the largest and most valuable gift we have received from a single individual, and merits a more than usual meed of gratitude to one who has always been a generous patron.

The no less desirable gift, by Col. E. S. Goodrich, of 22 volumes of the Daily Pioneer, and Pioneer and Democrat, was adverted to in our last report. The volumes were soon after received, and constitute a most valuable accession, rich in stores of material for the history of our State and its people. The value of such files for reference on innumerable topics, can only be appreciated by those who have seen most of their use. A similarly valuable gift was received from R. R. Nelson, consisting of 22 volumes of the New York Daily Tribune, during the years when it was the most prominent exponent of a great national party, and full of material for national history. Accompanying it was a number of volumes of the North American Review and Democratic Review.

R. O. Sweeney is the donor of 19 bound volumes of the Scientific American, a useful and reliable serial. Col. William Crooks, whose generous gifts have been mentioned in previous reports, contributes 12 bound volumes of Van Nostrand's Engineering Magazine, another valuable work for reference. Hon. Samuel E. Adams, of Monticello, is the donor of 10 bound volumes of orders of the War Department, 1862-64, also of the Department of Missouri—a class of documents now much sought after by libraries. Dr. C. H. Boardman contributes a heliotype edition of Boydell's Shakspeare—a valuable and interesting volume. From Hon. John Blair Linn, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, we have received six volumes of the new Series of Pennsylvania Archives, and from Col. John Espy, of St. Paul, 29 volumes of the 2nd geological survey of that state. Mr. George A. Hamilton, of St. Paul, is the donor of a number of valuable works, among them the "new Domesday Book" of Great Britain, in three large volumes. Dr. S. R. Riggs, of Beloit, Wis., the veteran missionary to the Dakotas of Minnesota, donates a complete copy of the Scriptures, translated into that tongue, the work of himself, and his deceased associate, Rev. Dr. Williamson—a monument to their devotion and skill, and their life long labors with the natives of our State. Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, continues his generous contributions, with over a hundred

pamphlets, and a number of books. To Hon. F. Von Baumbach, Secretary of State, we are indebted for a fine copy of "Walker's Statistical Atlas"; to Judge Berry, 70 pamphlets; while valuable works have been received from Rev. J. F. Tuttle, Crawfordsville, Ind., S. W. Phoenix, New York; Hon. James Shaw, of Ill.; Robert Clarke, Cincinnati; Rev. C. D. Bradley, Boston; Hon. Wm. D. Washburne, Hon. S. J. R. McMillan, Hon. Henry Poehler, and Hon. M. H. Dunnell, of Minnesota; Gen. W. G. Le Duc; Hon. J. J. Knox; H. P. Upham, Gen. R. W. Johnson and many others. Other gifts are enumerated under the head "Museum," while a more complete list is embraced in the appendix to this report. We cannot record these generous gifts, without expressing our gratitude to the donors above named, and those elsewhere recorded, for their kind interest in our behalf. Our splendid collection has been mainly built up by contributions of this kind, and the foregoing list shows that the stream of munificence is flowing in, as strongly and richly laden as ever.

Our exchanges with kindred societies is maintained also, and forms no small part of our increase.

MUSEUM AND CABINET.

Some very desirable and valuable acquisitions have been made to our Museum and Cabinet of historical and archaeological curiosities. In copper implements of the aborigines, we have made quite a gain. Hon. A. C. Wedge, of Freeborn county, contributes a fine copper spear head, found near Albert Lea, Minn., several feet under ground. Hon. C. W. McCarthy, of Winona county, is the donor of another spear head, found in Zumbro River; and H. P. Wieland, Esq., of Beaver Bay, Lake Superior, has presented a fine specimen of a copper chisel found in that locality. A fine stone hammer was received from Wm. B. Quinn, found near Fargo, D. T. An unusually large and fine specimen of a stone axe, found near Heron Lake, in this State, is the gift of Geo. A. Hamilton, and a *petrified turtle* (?) has been received from the same donor. Some doubts, however, have been expressed as to the authenticity of the latter specimen. A curiously shaped stone, called a *wakan* or sacred stone, by the Dakotas, who must have once owned and used it, was presented by Mr. B. M. Randall, of St. Peter, a valued contributor who has before secured for our cabinet some very interesting relics of a similar character. Mr. G. C. Chamberlain, of Jackson, contributed a piece of the celebrated aerolite which passed over a portion of our State a few months ago, and fell in Iowa. Dr. R. W.

Twitchell, of Chatfield, contributed the fore-arm bones of Little Crow, the leader of the massacre in 1862, showing the peculiar fracture by which the body of that chieftain was recognized after death. They form a fitting accompaniment to the *scalp* of the same worthy, which has for some time graced our cabinet. From some of the old settlers of Stillwater, we have received the gift of a bell, said to be the first bell ever hung in Minnesota. It was purchased by subscription in 1848, and placed on a pioneer school house in that village (as it was then) where it swung for thirty years, until it became disabled for further service. Hon. Alex. Ramsey, vice president of this society, at present Secretary of War, has forwarded to us a very historical relic of the settlement of Virginia, in the shape of a brick, from the ruins of the old church at Jamestown. In his letter accompanying this memento, Secretary Ramsey says: "This brick is taken from the old church at Jamestown, said to be the first church erected in Colonial times, and the place where—tradition hath it—Pocahontas was baptised. The bricks of which this church was built, were imported from the mother country. The tower is still standing, about thirty feet high, rectangular, the exterior line of each wall about fifteen feet high, and the walls about two feet thick, the brick laid in shell mortar. About one acre surrounding the church was devoted to burial purposes, and a number of fine monuments are still left, but they are not enclosed, and the weeds and brambles have almost buried the monuments out of sight."

Very interesting specimens of currency have been received from Rev. I. Newton, Hon. John J. Knox, Wm. P. Murray, D. McCaine, Hon. E. Rice, Louis E. Hauser, E. M. Lambert, G. M. Loreeb, A. L. Sparkes, Phila., Wm. I. Martin, and Hon. John S. Prince. Many of these are historical—especially a collection of "hard times scrip," donated by the latter. Some handsome coal fossils from Pennsylvania were received from Col. Jno. Espy; a skull of a "mound builder," from Clark Evans; a piece of pipestone, from Charles Bromwich; haematite ore, from Lake Superior, by Geo. R. Stuntz; an ancient sabre, from H. Gammell; confederate pikes, from Capt. Wm. M. Heath. Coins have also been received from S. J. Willard, and others.

Photographs of historical interest, together with portraits, have been received from Wm. Kite, Germantown, Pa.: Gen. John Gibbon; Hon. E. F. Drake, E. J. Thompson; J. F. Williams; and others. A collection of fifty stereoscopic views have also been contributed by the Ethnological Bureau, Washington. Our portrait gallery has also secured some desirable additions. Alfred Palmquist,

the photographer, St. Paul, presents us with a framed photograph of Jacob Falstrom, one of the pioneers of Minnesota, a full and interesting memoir of him having been at the same time contributed by Hon. Hans Mattson. From Albert S. Munger, of Minneapolis, we have received a framed portrait of Judge Bradley B. Meeker, one of the first Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the Territory, appointed in 1849. Photographic portraits have also been received of Lt. Albert M. Lea, for whom the town of that name in our State was called; and also of Ex-Gov. Stephen Miller, together with steel engraving of four ex-governors, and several of the pioneers and public men of our State. A special effort has been made to secure portraits of all the old settlers of the State, by direct solicitation, but our efforts in this direction have not been so well rewarded as we could wish. Still, our portrait gallery is steadily increasing in interest and value, and we solicit from our patrons and members further contributions to this department. As yet we have but one oil portrait.

A number of valuable maps have been received. One of these is a manuscript map of the military posts of the United States, in the year 1840, executed and contributed by F. Sturnegk, a draughtsman attached to head-quarters in this city. The Commissioners of Meeker county also contribute a map of that county. Warner & Foote's edition; and 29 valuable maps of States and territories have been received from Hon. J. A. Williamson, Commissioner of the General Land Office. The Society now possesses over 400 valuable maps, many of them very rare.

It is a matter of regret that, in the arrangement of our new apartments, a separate room could not have been assigned to the cabinet and museum. It is now, of necessity, accommodated here and there, amongst our book cases. The result of this is, that persons reading and studying in the Library are greatly interrupted by the noise, and movements, and conversation of visitors, attracted to the rooms simply to see the curiosities on exhibition. During some portions of the year, the summer tourist season particularly, the rooms are frequently quite thronged with this class of visitors. The quiet which should characterise a reading room, is thus out of the question.

MATERIALS FOR HISTORY.

Since our last report, the society has been very successful in securing manuscript materials for the history of the State, of its various localities, and of its pioneers and early settlers. Three voluminous manuscripts of much value have been contributed by

Hon. Alex. Ramsey, Secretary of War. They consist of a minute and carefully prepared history of the government military posts in this State—Forts Snelling, Ripley and Ridgely. Three were compiled from the archives of the war department, especially for the use of this society, and form a very valuable contribution to the history of our State. They are accompanied by copies of the original maps of the reservations connected with the forts. Secretary Ramsey also sends a manuscript history of the life and services of Dr. John Rae, the arctic explorer, who visited Minnesota on his way home from the polar regions, in 1854, bringing the first authentic report of the fate of Sir. John Franklin's expedition. Rev. Wm. T. Boutwell, now of Stillwater, one of the earliest missionaries to the Ojibwas in Northern Minnesota, has also written for us, at our request, a valuable sketch of his experiences and labors, accompanied with interesting accounts of occurrences in those early days. We sincerely hope that his health, now very feeble, may be restored, and enable him to complete his reminiscences, so full of historical importance. Rev. D. B. Knickerbacker, of Minneapolis, contributes a carefully prepared memoir of Rev. F. G. Gear, the well known pioneer missionary.

Other manuscripts, relating to the history and biography of Minnesota, are in preparation, and the society has lost no opportunity of securing and soliciting from all who are presumed to be able to furnish any material of value and interest, written contributions on the subject of the early history of the State. We again admonish our friends to diligence in securing the reminiscences of our aged pioneers. Most of them are advanced in years, and their death will cut us off from securing many important facts. Our Secretary has done considerable in writing down such of these reminiscences as opportunity threw in his way, but the growing work of our library, and the fast increasing details of its management, now requires his entire time, and deprive him of the chance to gain absence long enough to pursue this branch of his duties anywhere outside of the city. While the library department of our work is undeniably valuable, and important, it may be asked, if the one above named should not also receive due attention, before the opportunity has passed, of securing these valuable records of the settlement of our State.

PUBLICATION OF COLLECTIONS.

We have been enabled, during the past year, to continue the publication of our Collections, by the issue of the third part of our third volume. It forms a neat pamphlet of about 150 pages, and is filled with highly interesting and valuable matter, relating to the history

of our State. Several of the papers are of more than ordinary interest, and some well written memoirs of deceased pioneers and public men are also included. A very handsomely executed steel engraving of the subject of one of these memoirs, Rev. John Mattocks, was generously furnished by his son, Hon. John Mattocks, of Chicago. The work is neatly printed, and altogether creditable to the taste and enterprise of the Society. It has received many flattering notices from the press, and from our correspondents in other states.

The demand for our publications is steadily increasing, and we have distributed them until some of the parts are entirely exhausted. A second edition of these portions has been determined on, and we hope to be able to furnish them within a reasonable time.

NEWSPAPERS.

Our collection of newspapers was largely increased during the past two years, by the valuable gifts of Hon. Alex. Ramsey, Col. Goodrich, and Judge Nelson, before referred to, and by 144 volumes of our own binding. We have now about 900 bound volumes of newspapers, mostly those of our own State. We receive and file, about one hundred Minnesota Journals. Of these, seven are dailies. We must again most gratefully return our thanks to the publishers of these journals, for their generosity in sending us their papers, free of charge, to be preserved in our library. Their liberality in this direction has borne good fruits to the honor of their profession, for our collection is one of which the publishers of Minnesota may feel proud.

The value of these volumes for reference in regard to the affairs of our State, its past history, and all manner of information and statistics, cannot be overestimated, and is daily demonstrated.

The Society acquired, by purchase, last year, 24 bound volumes of the New York Daily Times, from 1860-1866, covering the entire period of the civil war, a very valuable chronicle of that period.

After the gifts of Messrs. Ramsey and Goodrich, before referred to, the Society found itself in possession of a few duplicate volumes of Saint Paul papers. These were, by a vote of the Society, donated to the Minneapolis Athenaeum, which was desirous of procuring files of that kind.

NECROLOGY.

Since the date of our last report, this Society has been deprived, by death, of several of its oldest and most valued members. Rev. Thos. S. Williamson, of St. Peter, who came to Minnesota as a mis-

sionary to the Dakotas in 1834, was one of these. He joined the society at its first organization, in 1850, and for 29 years was a zealous and faithful member. At the time of his death, he was a member of the Executive Council. His death was appropriately noticed at a meeting of the Society on July 14, 1879, when an obituary sketch was read, and resolutions of respect adopted. A full memoir of him has been published in the collections of the Society, and we are promised a steel portrait of him for another volume.

Franklin Steele, one of the pioneers of the State, died suddenly at Minneapolis on Sept. 10, 1880. He had been a life member since 1856, and was an active promoter of the objects of the Society. A memoir of his long and active career has been prepared for publication in our collections.

Col. Charles H. Oakes, of St. Paul, and Maj. Abram Van Vorhes, of Stillwater, two widely known pioneers of the State, were also members of this Society.

FINANCES.

Below will be found a statement of the expenditures out of the annual appropriation of \$3,000, granted to the society by the legislature of 1879 :

	1879.	1880.
Purchase of books.....	\$ 683 62	\$630 35
Binding of books.....	241 20	264 60
Express charges.....	39 18	36 36
Postage.....	26 41	51 27
Stationery.....	.....	8 00
Furniture and repairs.....	548 31	10 12
Insurance.....	.....	400 00
Printing.....	64 02	277 76
Miscellaneous.....	9 10	.....
Service.....	1,500 00	1,500 00
	<u>\$3,111 83</u>	<u>\$3,178 47</u>

In order to provide for our current expenses, and also for the publication of the memorial volume elsewhere referred to, an appropriation of \$3,500, for each of the years 1881 and 1882, will be necessary.

THE HENNEPIN BI-CENTENARY.

On the third day of July, 1880, the society appropriately celebrated, on the grounds of the State University, overlooking the Falls of St. Anthony, the two hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the falls, by the Recollect father, Louis Hennepin. The arrangements for this celebration had been planned by a committee

of the society, acting with a committee appointed by the citizens of Minneapolis, and were in every way highly successful, and attracted a greater concourse of people together, than had been congregated at any ceremony before, in that locality. Early in the morning, a large procession of military, civic societies, citizens, and two companies of United States troops from Fort Snelling, formed in West Minneapolis, and marched to the university grounds, where they were received by the society.

The committee of arrangements had here made ample preparations for the accommodation of the crowd in attendance. A large covered stand, elegantly decorated, had been erected for the speakers, and invited guests, in a shady part of the grove, and in front of this were seats for many hundred people. Two fine bands discoursed choice music at intervals. The exercises consisted of a historical oration by ex-Gov. Cushman K. Davis, which was a masterly production; a poem suitable to the occasion, by A. P. Miller, of Worthington; an address by Rt. Rev. John Ireland, Bishop, etc., vindicating Father Hennepin from some of the aspersions of his critics. Interesting addresses were also made by Hon. Alex Ramsey, Secretary of War, Gen. W. T. Sherman, U. S. A., and others. The exercises were very interesting, and though somewhat lengthy, were listened to with profound attention by the large audience. At the conclusion of these exercises, a fine collation was served to the multitude, on tables set in the grove, and under large pavilion tents. There were ample viands, of the best quality, for even the large crowd present, (estimated at 10,000 persons) and all were well served. The balance of the afternoon was spent in pleasant intercourse. The weather was delightful, and everything passed off without jar. The citizens and especially the ladies, of Minneapolis, deserve great praise for the liberal and successful arrangements made for the celebration, and the comfort and entertainment of so many guests—certainly a difficult task to perform.

A part of the original plan of the celebration, as laid out by the society, contemplated the preparation of several papers on historical subjects suggested by the bi-centenary, which shall be included in a memorial volume, containing the report of the exercises, the oration, etc. The following were the assignments made :

1. Life of Hennepin and Establishment of Catholic Missions, Bishop John Ireland
2. The Indian Trade.....Hon. H. M. Rice
3. Military Occupation.....I. V. D. Heard, Esq.
4. Protestant Missions.....Rev. S. R. Riggs, D. D., and Rev. E. S. Thomas
5. Education.....Rev. E. D. Neill

6. Civil Government.....Col. E. S. Goodrich
7. Our Commercial Interests.....Capt. R. Blakeley
8. Agriculture.....Col. J. H. Stevens
9. Early French Explorers, (in the French language).....J. E. Ferte, M. D

A portion of the papers have been completed, and further time was granted to other writers, to afford opportunity for thorough research. It is expected, however, that all the papers will be completed soon, when we hope to issue them in regular series of our collections, and they will form a volume of great interest and value.

DEPARTMENTS.

Early in 1879, it was proposed to add to the usual work of the Society, the feature of departments, on various subjects within the scope of the Society, to be composed of any members, who wished to work in such special fields. Two were organized under this by-law, viz: the "Department of Astronomy," and the "Department of American History." The latter of these has held its meetings at Minneapolis.

ROOMS—USE OF LIBRARY, ETC.

The rooms of the Society, into which we had just moved, at the date of the last report, afford us good accommodations for our work, though not in all respects suitable for a library, but will answer our purposes until the time comes when permanent and properly constructed apartments can be provided in a building of our own.

The use of our library is constantly increasing, and the demand on us for many important works which we do not possess, but should have, makes us feel more keenly the absence of sufficient means to procure them. We cannot now hope to keep pace with the rapidly increasing numbers and wants of those who resort to us for information and means of study, unless our resources are enlarged in proportion.

CONCLUSION.

From the foregoing report will be ascertained the progress which the Society has made during the past two years, and its success in carrying on its three divisions of work—the Collection, the Preservation, and the Publication, of materials for the history of Minnesota, and in performing the other duties devolving upon it. Each year that passes, adds to our work and responsibilities, and we are endeavoring, so far as we can, to meet them.

We have much reason, as we look back over the comparatively few years since our Society started in its career, to feel pleased at its success, and at the advanced place it has won among similar societies in this country, a standing which is creditable to it, and reflects honor on the State. We have received many warm compliments from persons in other parts of the Union, some of them distinguished scholars or antiquarians, for our enterprise and success. We hope always to merit these good opinions.

The experience in such societies has almost invariably been, that it is no light or easy task to successfully found and build up such an institution. It requires a long period of patient care and endeavor. The indifference of most, and the opposition of many, in the early days of such enterprises, when success is hard to woo, lays additional care on the few zealous and active ones whose lot it generally is to foster and support such societies, and pioneer the project through the years of precarious infancy. Such has been the universal experience of such societies, and ours is no exception to that rule.

But it is scarcely necessary to allude to our early struggles, except to congratulate ourselves that they are over, and that we can reflect on our present standing with some pride. Success is a plant of slow growth, sometimes, yet it has passed into a trite saying, that nothing succeeds like success. Institutions, as well as men, demonstrate the truth of this rule. To him that hath, is given, and an institution which has achieved success and prosperity, will grow and accumulate in more rapid ratio than ever. By a peculiar law of our nature, mankind delights to help the prosperous. We are in a position to attract valuable gifts and endowments, because we have shown ourselves worthy of them.

With this hopeful aspect of the case, it is not too much to assume that this Society has reached the period when this principle will operate in our case, and the era of our most rapid growth and development begin. With means commensurate to our plans and wants, we must certainly attain that usefulness and influence, which it has always been our aim to accomplish.

SAINT PAUL, Jan. 17, 1881.

APPENDIX.

LIST OF DONORS—1879-80.

I. FROM INDIVIDUALS.

	Bound books.	Unbound books.
Hon. Samuel E. Adams, Monticello, Minn.....	10	
Gen. C. C. Andrews, St. Paul.....		2
Prof. S. Aughey, Nebraska.....		1
Gen. James H. Baker, Mankato.....		16
C. C. Baldwin, Cleveland, O.....		3
Edwin A. Barber.....		1
Phineas Bates, Jr., Boston.....		2
Hon. John M. Berry, Minneapolis.....		70
Rufus Blanchard, Wheaton, Ill.....		4
Dr. C. H. Boardman, St Paul.....		1
Rev. Wm. T. Boutwell, Stillwater.....	4	
Rev. C. D. Bradlee, Boston.....		17
R. A. Brock, Richmond.....		4
C. B. Brunson, St. Paul.....	2	
Charles S. Bryant,		2
Hon. H. M. Burchard, Marshall.....		2
C. Acton Burrows, Winnipeg.....		1
Josiah B. Chaney, St. Paul.....		2
Jacob Chapman, Kingston, N. H.		1
Hon. Charles H. Clarke, Minneapolis.....		1
Robert Clarke, Cincinnati.....	9	3
A. M. Clayton, Holly Springs, Miss.....		1
Jesse Clement, Chicago.....	1	
H. H. Cleveland, St. Paul.....		1
Charles E. Cox, Quincy, Ill.....		1
Col. William Crooks, St. Paul.....	12	
Capt. Anni Cutter, Anoka.....		1
Rev. M. M. Dana, St. Paul.....		12
John Ward Dean, Boston.....		1
Gen. J. Watt de Peyster, New York.....		1
Hon. I. Donnelly, Minnesota.....		2
Prof. J. J. Dow, Faribault.....		5
Hon. Andrew C. Dunn, Blue Earth City.....		1
Hon. Mark H. Dunnell, Congress.....	1	7
Daniel S. Durrie, Madison, Wis.....		27
Geo. H. Ely, Cleveland, O.....		1
Col. John Espy, St. Paul.....	33	
George H. Farrier, Jersey City.....		1
Geo. L. Farwell, St. Paul.....	1	
E. H. Fletcher, New York.....		1
Judge M. F. Force Cincinnati.....		1
Rev. W. C. Gannett, St. Paul.....	1	

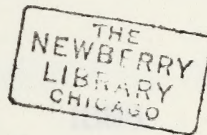
W. P. Garrison, New York.....		1
Daniel Getty, White Bear Lake.....		1
Gen. John Gibbon U. S. A.....		3
J. Willard Gibbs, Philadelphia.....	1	
Col. Earl S. Goodrich, St. Paul.....	22	
Dr. Samuel A. Green, Boston.....	2	124
Geo. A. Hamilton, St. Paul.....	1	9
Gen. Joseph A. Hawley, Hartford Conn.....		1
Geo. H. Hazzard, St. Paul.....		6
Leonard B. Hodges, St. Paul.....	1	
Dr. Franklin B. Hough, Lowville, N. Y.....	1	
Joseph Jackson Howard, L. L. D., London, Eng.....		24
H. W. Howgate, U. S. N.....		1
Gov. John W. Hoyt.....		1
Wm. E. and R. Hunt, Fargo, D. T.....		1
Hon. John P. Jacobson, St. Paul.....	1	
Gen. R. W. Johnson, ".....	2	
Dr. Talbot Jones, ".....		1
Orange Judd, New York.....		1
Rev. Silas Ketchum, Poquonock, Conn.....		10
Rev. D. B. Knickerbocker, Minneapolis.....	1	3
Henry M. Knox, St. Paul.....	3	
Hon. John J. Knox, Washington.....	1	14
Prof. R. W. Lang, Minneapolis.....	7	
W. H. Lambert, Philadelphia.....		1
Mrs. Henry D. Landis, Philadelphia.....	1	
Theo. L. Lewis, St. Paul.....	7	
Hon. John Blair Linn, Sec. of State, Pa.....	6	
E. H. Mann, St. Paul.....	4	
Col. Hans Mattson, Minneapolis.....		1
A. R. McGill, St. Paul.....	4	
Hon. S. J. R. McMillan, Congress.....	4	
Rev. E. D. Neill, Minneapolis.....		1
Hon. R. R. Nelson, St. Paul.....	51	
John P. Nicholson, Philadelphia.....	3	48
Prof. J. L. Noyes, Faribault.....		2
Wm. J. Onahan, Chicago.....		1
A. B. Oviatt, Minneapolis.....		1
Henry Phillips, Jr., Philadelphia.....		1
S. Whitney Phoenix, New York.....	3	
A. T. C. Pierson, St. Paul.....		17
Hon. Henry Poehler, Congress.....	3	7
H. A. Rafterman, Cincinnati.....		3
Hon. Alex Ramsey, St. Paul.....	955	1
Dr. J. E. Rhodes, Stillwater.....	2	
Hon. E. Rice, St. Paul.....		2
Rev. S. R. Riggs, Beloit, Wis.....	1	
Col. D. A. Robertson, St. Paul.....	1	
Dr. Geo. Ross, Lebanon, Pa.....		1
W. E. Schenck, Philadelphia.....		6
Hon. Norman Seymour, New York.....		3
Hon. James Shaw, Mt. Carroll, Ill.....	3	4
Rev. E. F. Slaughter, Boston.....	1	
Gen. J. Smith, St. Treasurer, Ill.....	2	2
Isaac Smucker, Newark, O.....	2	1
Sotheran & Co., London, Eng.....		1
Oscar Stephenson, St. Paul.....		2
John H. Stevens, Minneapolis.....	3	
Dr. J. H. Stewart, St. Paul.....	11	1
Chas. D. Strong, ".....	1	
Rev. J. W. Strong, Northfield.....		4
Thos. J. Suddard, Chicago.....		1
Robert O. Sweeny, St. Paul.....	19	125

Hon. Joseph Tasse, Ottawa, Canada.....	1	
Prof. Cyrus Thomas, Carbondale, Ill.....	2	
Trubner & Co., London—.....		12
Rev. J. F. Tuttle, Crawfordsville, Ind.....	1	14
Lieut. F. K. Upham, U. S. A.....		1
Henry P. Upham, St. Paul.....	2	
Hon. Frederick Von Baumbach, Sec'y of State.....	1	
J. B. Waller, Chicago, Ill.....	1	1
Hon. Wm. D. Washburn, Congress.....	16	10
J. H. Wheeler, Washington.....	1	
Rev. H. B. Whipple, D. D., Faribault.....		9
Allen Whitman, St. Paul.....	5	4
J. E. Whitney, Atlanta, Ga.....	1	
J. F. Williams, St. Paul.....	6	4
Prof. N. H. Winchell, Minneapolis.....		5
A. H. Winslow, St Paul.....	1	
C. L. Woodward, New York.....		12
H. C. Yarrow, Washington.....		1

II. FROM SOCIETIES, INSTITUTIONS, &C.

American Antiquarian Society.....		26
Archæological Institute of America.....		1
Buffalo Historical Society.....	1	
Chicago Historical Society.....	2	38
Delaware Historical Society.....		2
Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.....		14
Georgia Historical Society.....		1
Kansas Historical Society.....		2
Leeds Philosophical and Literary Society, Leeds, Eng.....		3
Literary and Historical Society of Quebec.....		1
Maryland Historical Society.....		3
Massachusetts Hist'l Society.....	5	
Missouri Historical Society.....		4
New England Historic, Genealogical Society.....	1	3
New Jersey Historical Society.....		3
New York Historical Society.....		2
Numismatic and Antiquarian Society, Philadelphia.....		3
Old Colony Historical Society, Mass.....		1
Oneida Historical Society.....		4
Pennsylvania Historical Society.....		9
Rhode Island Historical Society.....		2
Royal Historical Society, England.....	6	
Society of Antiquity, Worcester, Mass.....		4
Surrey Archæological Society, England.....		3
Tennessee Historical Society.....		1
Vermont Historical Society.....	1	1
Wisconsin Historical Society.....	1	3
American Museum of Natural History, New York.....		2
Astor Library, New York.....		1
Bunker Hill Monument Association, Boston.....	4	3
Carleton College, Minnesota.....		1
Chicago Public Library.....		2
Harvard College.....		2
Massachusetts Horticultural Society.....		3
Minnesota Academy of Natural Sciences.....		1
New York Mercantile Library.....		4
“ State Library.....	2	7
Peabody Institute, Baltimore.....		2
Philadelphia Library Co.....		1
St. Louis Public School Library.....		3
San Francisco Library Association.....		1

Smithsonian Institution.....	2	6
Worcester Free Public Library, Mass.....		1
Yale College.....		13
Young Men's Christian Association, Worcester.....		1
Young Men's Mercantile Library Association, Cincinnati.....		2
American Statistical Association, Boston.....	1	17
James Lick Observatory, San Francisco.....		1
Kansas State Board of Agriculture.....		1
Peabody Education Fund.....		7
School Committee of Boston.....	1	
United States Department of Interior.....	60	7
" " Patent Office.....	24	6
" " Navy Department.....	1	
" " Chief of Engineers.....	2	4
" " Surgeon General's Office.....	1	
" " Post Office Department.....	3	
" " Bureau of Education.....	1	7
" " Naval Observatory.....	5	15
" " Department of State.....	3	1
" " Bureau of Statistics.....		1
" " Department of Agriculture.....	4	3
Cobden Club, London.....		1
Royal University of Norway, Christiania.....	3	
Central Bureau of Statistics, Stockholm, Sweden.....		19
Oberlausitschen Gesellschaft des Wissenschaften, Gorlitz.....		3
Vereins für Kunst und Alterthum, Ulm.....		5
Institution Ethnographique, Paris.....		1
La Societe Hollandaise des Sciences, Haarlem.....		4
L' Academic Royale de Copenhagen.....		5



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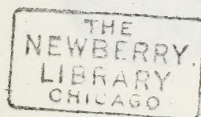
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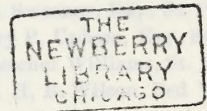
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REPORT.

Since the last printed biennial report of the Society (January, 1881) unusual and startling events in its career have occurred, which call for extended notice, a record out of the usual routine of the topics generally dwelt on in these reports. While for several years we were able to congratulate our friends and patrons on the fact that our work was being carried on smoothly and successfully, and that an unbroken prosperity had rewarded our labors for the society, devoid of any serious reverses or regretful occurrences, this quiet and uninterrupted career of prosperous work was rudely broken in upon by the sudden shock of a calamity, which, though fortunately shorn of its worst possible features, was still serious enough, and served also to make us tremblingly realize, as we looked back at it, the worse and overwhelming stroke which we so narrowly escaped—the total destruction of our treasures.

THE FIRE OF MARCH 1, 1881.

For several years our annual reports had referred, with much apprehension, to the great danger from fire to which our large and valuable collection was exposed, and expressed the fear that if we delayed securing our much-talked-of fire-proof library, but remained in the capitol building, the Society would, sooner or later, meet with loss. On March 1st, our fears were realized, though fortunately not to the dire extent which might have happened. At 9 o'clock in the evening of that day, a fire broke out in the dome of the capitol, which, in about two hours, completely destroyed the building, together with much of its contents.

At the first alarm of fire, a number of the members and friends of the society, some of whom were in the building, proceeded at

once to our rooms and began vigorous and well managed efforts to save its movable property. In a short time fully one hundred persons were engaged in carrying out the books and other effects, and depositing them carefully in the Unitarian Church close by. The apartments occupied by the society being in the basement story, were fortunately very favorably situated for deporting their contents, and so zealously and successfully did the members and their friends labor, that in about an hour, or perhaps less, before the flames had penetrated the rooms so as to compel a cessation of this work, all the books, pictures, papers, movable furniture, etc., in the front, or main library room, had been carried out to places of safety, and nothing remained in that apartment except the book cases, which could not be moved in so short a time, and were abandoned to the flames.

In the fire-proof vaults of the Society were stored most of its large and valuable collection of bound newspapers, all its MSS. (except one portfolio, which was lost) a few sets of our printed collections, and some other documents. These were entirely unharmed by fire, though a few newspaper volumes were injured by water leaking through the roof of the vault.

The main loss, and the most serious damage, however, fell upon an inner apartment, one of the old rooms formerly occupied by the Society, prior to its removal into the new wing two years previously. It had, since that time, been used by us as a duplicate room, and for the storage of our publications and other property, though a part of the main library itself was accommodated here. It was furnished with deep shelves, or bins, around the sides of the room, (which was 18x24) and book cases in the centre of the same, leaving only a passage around between them. This room, so furnished, was packed from floor to ceiling with books, documents, newspapers, etc., every available cubic foot of shelf room being filled. The key to this room was lost when the first removal of furniture commenced from the front room; and in fact, before the books from that room were entirely removed, the inner room was all ablaze, so that it would have been impossible to have saved much, if any, of its valuable contents. A partial statement of the contents of this room is given, to convey an idea of the losses inflicted on the collections of the Society.

PRINCIPAL LOSSES.

Three thousand pamphlets and about 200 bound volumes belonging to the main library, which were placed in the duplicate room for want of shelf-space in the main hall.

STATE DOCUMENTS AND REPORTS.

Some 12,000 or 13,000 pamphlets and unbound volumes, comprising sets of reports of State officers, institutions, boards and bureaus, and other documents printed by the State, from its admission in 1858, down to and including the session of 1881. It had been the custom of the librarian to preserve, at every session, from ten to twenty-five copies of each of these reports for use in future years and for the convenience of officers or institutions wishing to make up sets. While these documents are easy to procure for a few months, perhaps, after their issue, they soon come to be regarded as waste paper, and then become scarce, simply because so few care to preserve them; some of the State departments even not preserving files. Thus in several years it would be almost impossible to procure one, unless quantities of them had been specially preserved, while in twenty or thirty years more, for instance, they would be "worth their weight in money" almost. Instances of this kind have actually occurred. Of many of them we had perhaps the only copy or copies procurable. It was to make a depository of such documents, and preserve them until the time when they would be valuable and appreciated and of use, that our librarian expended such care in gathering and procuring them. But the calamity which swept this unique collection into ashes, has rendered this watchfulness of years nugatory and fruitless. But for this loss, in a few years longer such a collection would have been worth thousands of dollars, to say nothing of the convenience and saving of time and expense to State departments and institutions, in being able to procure the documents when needed.

STATE LAWS, JOURNALS AND EXECUTIVE DOCUMENTS.

The society had preserved copies of these from year to year, and had on hand several hundred volumes, extending back to 1849. Of

most of these years, the State had no copies in its own depository. But a short time prior to the fire, three complete sets had been made up by our librarian for the British Museum, Library of Congress and American Antiquarian Society, respectively, showing the completeness of our series. Though the earlier volumes of territorial and State laws were very valuable, sometimes being worth \$10 and \$15 per volume, we were not offering these for sale, but were using them to exchange with other libraries wishing to complete sets. The collection we lost was worth fully \$1,000.

DUPLICATE BOOKS.

There were over 1,000 volumes of duplicate books and several hundred duplicate pamphlets. Many of these were quite rare and valuable, and included handsomely bound and illustrated works, having been accumulated by gift or exchange at various times and were held for the purpose of effecting exchanges with other libraries, or with private collectors who might wish them for special use.

BOUND AND UNBOUND NEWSPAPERS AND DUPLICATES OF SAME.

For several years the Society had been accumulating duplicate files of Minnesota daily papers, with the intention, when any considerable set of either had been secured, of binding them, and exchanging them with sister societies for other files. Fully one hundred volumes had thus been gathered, and arrangements for their binding and exchange were in progress, when the fire destroyed the entire collection. Some of these were volumes of St. Paul dailies reaching back to 1854 or '55, the gift of members who had preserved them. In addition to these files, we lost several volumes of the St. Paul Daily Times and the Daily Minnesotian, covering the period of 1856-7-8, which we had procured, after much search and trouble, to complete our sets of those journals, so valuable for reference. They were, as yet, unbound, but were complete and assorted, ready for that stage. They cannot now be replaced. There were also about forty bound volumes of St. Paul dailies, from 1861 to the date of the fire, and a number of unbound volumes of New York dailies. In addition to our other unfortunate losses in this department, was a fine series of New York Daily Tribune, from June, 1846, to July, 1855, 22 volumes in all; and an equally fine series of the N. Y. Daily Times, from

1860 to 1866, 24 volumes. The "Freeman's Daily Journal," (Philadelphia,) from 1808 to 1814 inclusive, nine thick volumes, was also among the volumes burned. The loss of these fine and quite irreplaceable sets is much regretted. They would have been in the fire-proof vault, but for the fact that there was no room for them, the preference being given to our Minnesota newspapers.

A number of unbound volumes of magazines and serials, which had been accumulated to perfect our sets, and were about complete and ready for binding, were destroyed. They comprised partial sets of North American Review, Harper's, Scribner, Blackwood, Atlantic, Littel's Living Age, Historical Magazine, Hunt's Merchants Magazine, etc. There were in addition a quantity of duplicates of above, perhaps in all amounting to 200 or 300 volumes.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

All the reserve stock of the four published volumes of the Society's collections were also stored in this fated apartment, and were a total loss. Of Vol. I. 320 bound copies; of Vol. II. part 1,—415 unbound; Vol. III. 130 bound and 780 (parts) unbound, and of Vol. IV. twenty-four bound copies, were all lost, to a value of about \$2,000. Of some of these the supply would have lasted us for some years, but so few of some of the parts are now left that their republication will be required very soon. Our reserve supply of annual reports, thirteen numbers, beginning with 1868, were all destroyed. Probably about 200 copies of each were thus lost, though of 1881, almost the entire edition went. They had just been received from the printer, and a few copies wrapped up for mailing, when the fire occurred.

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS AND REPORTS.

There were, in addition to the above, a very large mass—perhaps 3,000 or 4,000—of duplicate pamphlets relating to this State, in the shape of reports of various Minnesota institutions, catalogues of colleges, journals of religious bodies, secret orders, various conventions and societies from 1850 to 1881; speeches, addresses, essays, sermons, historical discourses, biographies, political brochures, controversial and personal questions, reports of boards of trade, railroads, scientific bodies, municipal documents, ordinances, illustrated guide books, and various descriptive pamphlets relating to Minnesota. Our librarian had collected, wherever they could be had, from one to

twenty-five of such documents, copies of most of which are often not preserved even by the institution or person issuing them, and become scarce soon after their publication. If we could have preserved this collection a few years, they would have been of great value and a convenience for those wishing any of them. Scarcely one per cent. of them can be again collected.

BROADSIDES, CUTTINGS, ETC.

Among the miscellaneous property of the Society destroyed (and there was much we cannot even briefly enumerate) was a large collection of broadsides, the accumulation of over twenty-five years, such as hand-bills, circulars, political dodgers, programmes, notices, invitations, tickets of admission, and even bills of fare at public entertainments, most of which were quite historical and valuable for throwing light on the history of institutions and of persons, settling disputed dates, etc. There were hundreds of these little waifs, most of them doubtless the only copy in existence. They had been collected by an antiquary who was a journalist for some years, a position exceptionally favorable to securing such fugitive matters. Not the least valuable part of the lot was a series of theatrical play bills and concert programmes, from 1856 to 1880, from which alone quite a history of the drama and music in this city could have been written. There were several hundred of these alone. It had been the intention of the donor to mount them, chronologically, in scrap books. All of the above "scraps" were packed in a number of large envelope boxes. There were also another series of these boxes, containing cuttings from newspapers of historical, biographical and antiquarian articles. Not the least prized part of this collection were ten boxes filled with clippings relating entirely to the rebellion. When properly arranged, mounted in books and indexed, they would have made an interesting collection.

THE MUSEUM.

The fine cabinet of archæological and historical relics belonging to the Society, was quite destroyed. A few of the larger specimens were saved, but all the smaller curiosities, such as coins, Indian trinkets, &c., were lost. Many of these were unique. In archæology, the society had a fine beginning, comprising 100 arrow heads, 28 stone hammers and axes, 12 knives and fleshers, 7

copper spear heads, 2 mortars, together with copper and shell beads, wampum, bracelets, &c., besides pieces of costume and implements. There were also a good collection of pottery, beads, skulls and implements found in mounds; a number of coins and pieces of colonial currency; historical and war relics; and specimens from foreign lands. The picture gallery also suffered considerable loss—some pictures being wholly destroyed, and others badly injured. A fine framed autograph letter of George Washington was stolen.

MSS. RELATING TO MINNESOTA HISTORY.

While most of our manuscripts were in the fire-proof vault, where they were always kept, one portfolio was unfortunately lost, of more than ordinary value. It contained about two hundred sheets of notes gathered by the Secretary, during the previous 15 years, on matters connected with Minnesota history and biography, and several considerable journeys were taken to secure the same. It comprised reminiscences of pioneers, their statements regarding occurrences of early days, biographical facts dictated by old settlers—many of them since dead; reminiscences regarding prominent Indian chiefs well known in early days; and full and minute data of Minnesota history from 1800 to 1849, contributed by such pioneers as Allan Morrison, Jno. H. Fairbanks, Joseph R. Brown, T. S. Williamson, Norman W. Kittson, H. H. Sibley, H. M. Rice, Guerin, Rondeau, Gervais, Brisette, Pierre Bottineau, C. H. Beaulieu, John Bush, old Villebrun (of White Earth), Gabriel Renville, and a number of other pioneers and half-breeds, whom our Secretary had visited and interviewed. These notes contained numerous dates, statements of fact and memoranda, which, if fully amplified and written up, would make perhaps 400 printed pages. Their loss is more to be regretted, since many of the old pioneers furnishing the material are now dead. By a most unfortunate *contretemps*, this portfolio was in use by the Secretary at the very moment of the fire, and was lying on his desk. When the latter was hurriedly carried out into the street, it probably rolled off into the snow and was at once trodden under foot unnoticed.

These (to some) tedious details of our losses, are given in order that our friends and patrons elsewhere can form an idea of the damage the fire inflicted on the society, and to show, by an enumeration of the historical material and archives which we had collected, and were endeavoring to procure, how far we had succeeded in carrying out the objects of a historical Society. Whether

our conceptions as to its true province were well taken, we leave them to judge.

NEW QUARTERS—REPAIRING DAMAGE.

Immediately after the fire, the most pressing duty was to secure temporary quarters. At a special meeting of the Society held on March 3, it was resolved to accept the offer of a large room in the basement of the St. Paul Market house, which building had meantime been tendered to, and accepted by, the State government, as a temporary capitol, and the effects of the Society were at once moved into the same, the books being, for the present, piled up on temporary tables. It was not until April 1 that new book cases could be procured, and the work of re-shelving and checking off the books be commenced. (Our catalogue was saved uninjured.) The arrangement and re-classification of 8,000 volumes heaped up in a confused mass, was slow work. When all was done, it was found that 403 bound books were missing from the main library, while many were so damaged as to require rebinding. Of the pamphlets, 3,557 were missing.

EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY RECEIVED.

At the time of the fire, press telegrams were sent to the eastern cities, in which the statement was made, that this Society lost its entire library and other collections. In consequence, we received a number of letters from our friends and patrons in other States, expressing the warmest sympathy for our supposed loss, and offering any aid in their power to enable us to resume work again; while corresponding societies made generous tenders of sets of their publications, duplicates, and other works, to restore the books lost. A circular was at once prepared and sent out, correcting the erroneous statement regarding our losses, and returning our most cordial and heartfelt thanks for the generous sympathy expressed, and the liberal offers of gifts toward our library.

Circulars were also sent out to our members, requesting their aid in restoring some of the lost property which we had accumulated—particularly in the direction of our stock of duplicates. Generous responses were received to this request.

The next important step was to settle the insurance which we fortunately had on our property. After considerable trouble this was adjusted at \$8,585.78, a sum far too small to replace even the replacable portion of it. This having been accomplished, the task

of endeavoring to repair the losses was energetically begun, and has been carried forward ever since. Out of the 463 bound volumes lost, 263 have been restored, some of the latter quite scarce ones and difficult to obtain. The newspaper and other volumes injured by water, have all been rebound or repaired. The extra labor, anxiety and care caused by the fire were very great, as any one who has had experience in such work can readily understand. Just at the time of that event the librarian had, after much pains and expenditure of time, completed and got ready for binding a number of volumes of scarce pamphlets, such as sets of documents, series of reports, etc. Some of these, such for instance as proceedings of church conventions and other bodies in this state, were only perfected with much labor and persistence, as the earlier numbers were very scarce, and could only be "picked up" after vigilant search and much correspondence with different parties, and in some cases by advertising. But it was finally accomplished and the sets were all ready for the binder, into whose hands they would have passed very shortly, when the fire occurred and swept away "in a twinkling" the assiduous and pains-taking labor of months. In the endeavor to restore the sets, increased obstacles were found. If it was difficult to gather and complete the original set, it can be understood how much more so it was to duplicate them. It seems now an almost hopeless task.

PROGRESS AND OPERATIONS SINCE THE FIRE.

Notwithstanding the unfavorable circumstances under which the Society has been situated, it has made gratifying progress since the calamity of March 1, 1881. The discouragement and gloom which that event produced was but temporary. The Society soon resumed its work with new hopes and resolution. The library was got into as good arrangement as the very unsuitable quarters in which it was situated would permit. These apartments, while the society was fortunate in getting even them, were totally unsuited to the purposes and work of a library. In the winter season, while heated by steam, they were passably comfortable; but in summer were damp, chilly, permeated with sewer gas, and, being on a very public street, were noisy and dusty. They were, in addition, very poorly lighted, and a general air of inconvenience and unwholesomeness prevailed. The health of the librarian received serious and threatening impairment during both the summers we occupied these rooms. Yet, in the face of these obstacles, our regular work

has gone on uninterruptedly. The library has been greatly enriched by both gift and purchase, while no source of collection of material has been neglected, but has been pressed vigorously and persistently. The very gratifying increase stated elsewhere in this report evinces this. The two years passed in the Market House have been far from "lost," as they might have been had we not so resolutely put in force the motto, "*Resurgam*," which our members adopted as they stood in the snow drifts of the capitol square that stormy winter night, and looked sadly into the red flames destroying the pleasant rooms from which we had just hurriedly removed a part of our treasures.

CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

On Jan. 1, 1881, there were, in the library proper, 8,624 bound, and 12,177 unbound volumes—total, 20,701.

By the fire, March 1, 1881, there were lost, or injured beyond repair, of the above, 402 bound volumes and 3,537 pamphlets. Of the former, 263 have since been restored, leaving 140 numbers still vacant.

The accessions for 1881 were as follows: Bound volumes, 567; pamphlets, 571; maps, 11; engravings, 6; photographs, 7; curiosities, 8; MSS., 8; currency and coins, 3.

The sources from which the bound volumes were secured, were: purchase, 279; gift, 267; exchange, 40; binding, 16. The pamphlets were all, excepting 3, gifts. Four wall maps were procured in exchange for our own publications.

The accessions for 1882 were as follows: bound volumes, 1,002; pamphlets, 569; maps, 19; engravings and photographs, 7; curiosities, 15; MSS., 21; currency and coins, 3.

The sources from which the bound volumes were secured, were: purchase, 553; gift and exchanges, 206; binding, 243; total, 1,002. Of pamphlets, all were gifts and exchanges except 115, purchased.

The highest register number on our accession catalogue on Jan. 1, 1883, was 10,201. Deduct 140 still missing, leaves 10,061 bound volumes, and 9,760 pamphlets. As we have almost 200 bound volumes of pamphlets, with an average of 15 documents each, there are consequently now over 22,000 publications in the library.

In an appendix to this report, is given a partially classified list of the principal accessions to our library of bound books, from which may be inferred the kind of works added during the past two years.

PURCHASES.

Through the enlarged means placed at the disposal of the Society by the Legislature of 1881, we have been enabled to increase our purchases to a gratifying extent. There was some interruption to this for a brief time after the fire, but we soon again got our system of collection in successful operation. While by gift and exchange we have increased to an unusual extent, purchasing has been, and must always be, the main source of library growth.

The years 1881 and '82 have been most gratifying years, so far as securing advantageous purchases is concerned, and in getting rare works which we needed. Never, during any previous corresponding period, has our library been so enriched.

During 1881 there were purchased 279 volumes, at an average price of \$3. During 1882 there were 553 bound volumes purchased at an average price of \$2.30. A part of these were bought to replace books lost at the fire.

It is no easy task to purchase advantageously for a library like this. It requires a trained and critical knowledge of books so as to determine *what* to get, and a constant and vigilant watchfulness of the market so as to secure the books when they can be had. What to buy, where to buy, and at what price to buy, may therefore be considered the three main things which our library committee are required to know. Their past success certainly evinces that they have the experience and judgment which can be relied on to build up such a library as it is one of the objects of this Society to accumulate, and at certainly a very reasonable cost. Indeed, our library is already becoming very valuable and choice, particularly in some lines, and is one of which we may excusably feel proud. Experienced bibliophiles from the East visiting us the past year, expressed their surprise and admiration at the fine collection which we had accumulated. They had little expected to find at a point thus remote from the book marts of the country, a collection so complete. But few societies, and these in the older and wealthier States, have better libraries. Mere numbers, in purchasing, has never been our aim. Our endeavor has been to secure the scarce, out-of-print works on American history and kindred topics, which only appear for sale in the market occasionally, and must be promptly picked up when they "come to the surface" in the catalogues of dealers in such works. We now receive regularly the catalogues of nearly 100 such dealers, not only in some score or more of American cities, but in Great Britain, France and

Germany as well. It is from these, giving the choicest findings of the book markets of the world, that our selections are made. It is, of course, slow work building up a library by picking up books here and there over two continents, sometimes one by one, but they can be had in no other way. It has truly been said "that valuable libraries, like oak forests, grow slowly, and cannot be hurried to maturity," especially when, as in our case, they are nourished by insufficient means. Thus, while we have secured many valuable works, we have been compelled to let others go which we ought to have had, because unable to bid enough for them. A fine collection of old and rare works on the history of the Selkirk Colony and Red River troubles from the library of the late Dr. E. B. O'Callaghan, of New York, was lost to us in that way, which we ought to have secured, and could have done, if our means had warranted.

Among the more prominent and especially valuable purchases during the past two years we may particularize Catlin's North American Indian Portfolio; Historical Collections Relating to the Colonial Church, by Bishop Perry, in 4 quarto volumes; Collectanea Topographica et Genealogica, 8 volumes; Memorial History of Boston, 4 volumes; Records of the Governor and Company of Mass. Bay, by N. B. Shurtleff, 6 volumes; Illustrated London News, a very fine set, complete down to 1873; Kendall's History of the War with Mexico, etc., etc. We would be gratified if our means would permit us to purchase more such works, also costly illustrated works. As but few persons can procure these for their private use, they should be acquired by some public library in our State, where they can be referred to.

GIFTS.

The continued and unabated generosity of our friends and patrons, in contributing to our library and museum, demands a renewed expression of our gratitude and appreciation. During the past two years there has been a constant stream of desirable, and in many instances very valuable, gifts continually enriching our collection. A full index of all these generous patrons is given in the appendix to this report. Among them will be observed the names of some of our oldest and staunchest friends, who have in past years endowed us with the most liberal gifts. Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, as usual heads the list, with 33 volumes and 146 pamphlets. Rev. C. D. Bradlee, of Boston, also contributes 35 pamphlets. Rev. J. F. Tuttle, of Wabash University, 2 volumes

and 56 pamphlets; Robert Clarke, Cincinnati, 3 volumes; Henry Phillips, Jr., Philadelphia, 11 pamphlets; Hon. James Shaw, Mt. Carroll, Ill., 3 volumes and 13 pamphlets; Charles Eason, Dublin, Ireland, 10 volumes on the Irish question; Isaac Smucker, Newark, O., 2 volumes, 12 pamphlets; Irving Todd, Hastings, 1 volume and 73 pamphlets; Gen. W. H. H. Terrell, Indianapolis, 6 bound volumes and 4 pamphlets; Charles Bornarth, Shakopee, 14 volumes and 22 pamphlets; Gen. C. C. Andrews (since appointed U. S. Consul General to Brazil), 3 volumes and 53 pamphlets; J. B. Chaney, St. Paul, 3 volumes and 36 pamphlets; Dr. David Day, St. Paul, 112 pamphlets; M. N. Kellogg, St. Paul, 18 volumes; Hon. W. R. Marshall, St. Paul, 25 volumes and 17 pamphlets; Prof. Geo. Weitbrecht, St. Paul, 106 magazines and pamphlets; R. C. Wiley, St. Paul, 80 do.; Rev. Charles Thayer, Jordan, 13 do.; Hon. J. D. Ludden, St. Paul, 67 do.; Dr. Charles E. Smith, St. Paul, 26 do.; J. K. Moore, St. Peter, 22 do.; J. S. Sewell, St. Paul, 32 do.; J. F. Williams, 11 bound volumes, 8 pamphlets; Mrs. C. M. Terry, Minneapolis, 20 unbound volumes of the N. Y. Nation; Oliver Gibbs, Secretary of the Minnesota Horticultural Society, has also provided us with a number of copies of the proceedings of that society, for exchange, while similar favors have been accorded by the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, and other organizations issuing reports. We must also express our obligations to our members of Congress for valuable favors in securing for us public documents; from Senator McMillan we have received 9 volumes and 5 pamphlets; from Senator A. J. Edgerton, 10 volumes and 25 pamphlets; and from representative W. D. Washburn, 28 volumes and 6 pamphlets.

Several privately printed works of great value and interest have been presented to us, some of which deserve a special notice. Mrs. Mary De Renne, of Savannah, Ga., widow of the late Geo. Wymberly-Jones De Renne, contributes a beautifully printed folio volume, entitled "Acts passed by the General Assembly of the Colony of Georgia, 1755-1774, now just printed," (1881). Only 49 copies of this interesting work were printed, in memory of the husband of the donor, who collected the materials in the public record office, London. Another sumptuously printed and bound volume, which we have received, a family genealogy, is entitled "Henry Wolcott and some of his Descendant's," prepared by Rev. Samuel Wolcott, of Cleveland, O., and given by the proprietors of the memorial, the eldest sons of the late Judge Frederic Wolcott, of Litchfield, Conn. Charles Candee Baldwin, Esq., of Cleveland, also lays us under obligations for copies of the genealogies of the Baldwin family, and

the Candee genealogy, two very valuable privately printed family histories. Geo. L. Harrison, Esq., of Philadelphia, donates his privately printed work on the proposed removal of Wm. Penn's remains to Pennsylvania. From the Mayor and Common Council of Baltimore, we have received an elegantly illustrated volume, commemorative of the 150th anniversary of the settlement of that city. Mrs. Hector Tyndale, of Philadelphia, sends us a privately printed "Memorial of Gen. Hector Tyndale." From Henry Phillips, Jr., and others, we have also received valuable privately printed pamphlets. Works of this nature are all the more prized by libraries, since they are not for sale by the trade, and can only be obtained through the generosity of the authors. The small editions in which they are issued make them a rarity.

From sister societies, institutions and public offices, we have received a large number of gifts, in the way of their published collections and reports. The list of libraries, learned societies, and other institutions with which we exchange, is constantly increasing. The destruction of our supply of duplicates and the stock of our own publications renders it out of our power, just now, to offer an adequate return for most of these favors, but so far as we can, we design to make a fair exchange. We return to the societies on our list of donors, sincere and cordial thanks for their many and acceptable favors.

ARCHÆOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL MUSEUM.

The almost total destruction of our really fine and valuable cabinet of curiosities was one of the deplorable results of the fire. All our gatherings for thirty years were lost. Many of these articles were unique, and all highly prized. The collection of another museum has been entered on, and with encouraging prospects of success. We have already secured quite a number of interesting articles. Capt. Charles H. Beaulieu, of White Earth, Minn., sends a large and singularly shaped pre-historic stone implement, found in that locality, which, it is conjectured, must have been used for a pick-axe, or some similar implement, to till the soil with. Mr. G. A. Hamilton contributes an ancient copper bracelet, found near Shetac, Wis., and Mr. E. W. Winter a handsome specimen of copper chisel from the same locality. Mr. J. F. Williams a curious egg-shaped piece of pipe-stone, found at Bald Eagle Lake, whose use has puzzled archæologists, but is conjectured may have been a slung-shot; also a flint arrow-head, dug up at the same locality.

From L. E. Crane, Minneapolis, and David Fulton, we have received iron arrow heads, both found in Dakota Territory. Thompson Ritchie, of Superior, contributes a pipe-stone pipe, made and once used by "Wooden Legged Jim," a Sioux warrior well known to the earlier residents of this locality about thirty years ago. Mr. R. also sends a piece of the wheelbarrow used in the ceremony of breaking ground for the Northern Pacific Railroad in 1870, and also some dirt from the first shovelful dug on that great continental highway. George C. McClure, of Sidney, New South Wales, sends a bundle of arrows and javelins made and used by the natives of New Guinea, the points of which weapons are said to be dipped in a virulent poison, which renders a mere scratch quickly fatal! From the Pioneer Press Printing Co., we have received a relic of one of the most noted of the old settlers of our State—one of the original type cases brought to Minnesota by James M. Goodhue, who founded *The Minnesota Pioneer* in April, 1849, and used ever since that date. In connection with this, we are offered, and will soon receive, the veritable printing press which Mr. Goodhue brought to the territory, and used to print the first paper on. It was a true pioneer in the printing line—having also been used in 1836, at Dubuque, Iowa, to print the first paper in that territory. It is still in good order.

Mr. M. N. Kellogg also contributes another reminiscence of old settler times—the first show-case ever brought to Minnesota, in May, 1849, by Bartlett Presley, a merchant of St. Paul. It is filled with curious relics of our pioneer times, gathered by Mr. K. He also deposits with us a fine barometer, which he used for many years in making meteorological observations. In receiving these gifts, we must express our sympathy with Mr. Kellogg at the sad affliction, (total blindness), which has recently darkened a well spent and useful life. W. W. Williams, of Albert Lea, contributes a reminder of the days when capital punishment was in vogue in this State—a pair of hand-cuffs worn by Henry Kriegler, who was hung at Albert Lea, March, 1861, and were buried with the body. Adj. Gen. Hawley deposits two rifles, one disabled by a ball at Nashville, the other at Birch Coolie, while held by some of our brave Minnesota boys who "wore the blue" in those trying days. Gen. Wm. G. Le Duc also contributes a relic of the civil strife—the handle of the prison pen at Mellen, Ga., where federal prisoners were incarcerated for some time. Pieces of confederate, or colonial currency, and coins, have been contributed by Ed. H. Stevens, Charles Bornarth, Frank Briggs and J. E. Boyden. A number of

other curiosities have also been received, to enumerate which would extend this report too much. We record these gifts with much pleasure, and hope we will soon again, by such generous contributions, restore our museum to something of its former size and value. The want of any good place to properly display such a collection in the rooms to which we shortly remove, will be a drawback, however.

MAPS, ENGRAVINGS, MSS., &C.

A number of valuable maps have been received. Mr. A. J. Hill, of St. Paul, contributes three; Mr. G. J. Rice, of St. Paul, 2; Mr. J. D. Esterbrook, of St. Paul, one; Mr. M. N. Kellogg, of St. Paul, eight; and one each from Mr. G. A. Hamilton and Judge J. A. Chandler, St. Paul, Gen. W. T. Sherman, U. S. A., Capt. W. M. Heath, Philadelphia, Frank D. Y. Carpenter, Highland, N. Y.; while several have been received from the Engineer Department, U. S. A. In addition to the above, eight wall maps of Minnesota counties have been purchased, and several general atlases of the very best and most recent editions. Our map and atlas collection is becoming large and valuable.

We have also received a number of interesting engravings. From H. Hakes, Wilksbarre, Pa., an engraving of Wyoming as it probably appeared on July 3, 1778. From Hon. W. R. Marshall, a framed diploma of membership in the Society of the Army of Tennessee, partially burned in the Capitol fire; also an engraved view of St. Paul in 1876. From Wm. Constans, St. Paul, a framed lithographic caricature issued in opposition to the five million loan measure, in 1858. From Hon. S. G. Comstock, Moorhead, an engraved view of that city. From C. D. Elfelt, a steel engraving of "Brown's Falls" afterwards known as Minnehaha, of date, probably, 1850; also several photos, circulars, broadsides, &c., relating to early Minnesota history. From E. A. Bromley, a lithograph of the historic old chapel of St. Paul. From E. Gardiner, of Minneapolis, a small album of photographic views in that city. Mr J. C. Donahower, St. Peter, contributes a lithographic view of the army of the Cumberland, in front of Chattanooga. Mr. Wm. H. Dunne, a photograph of Stillwater; Hon. Wm. Windom, an album of engraved portraits executed at the Treasury Department, Washington. From Hon. Alex. Ramsey we have received two engravings which have a mournful interest connected with our national history. The first is a splendidly engraved card of invitation to President Garfield's Inauguration Ball, March 6, 1881, 6x10 inches

in size, the other is an engraved invitation to his obsequies, September 23, 1881. In this connection may be mentioned another memento of our country's two martyred Presidents. On April 15, 1865, when newspaper extras were issued announcing the assassination of President Lincoln, our librarian secured one and preserved it. When that dark day in American history was repeated, July 2, 1881, by the murderous attack on President Garfield, another of these little messages of sadness was secured. The two are now joined together in one frame, and constitute an object certainly possessing more than ordinary interest as a "historical" relic.

A handsomely executed heliotype portrait of Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, which we secured some months ago, has been handsomely framed and placed on our walls, a tribute due to one of our most constant and generous patrons.

Some very valuable, and also some very curious, manuscripts have been contributed. Hon. Alex. Ramsey, a vice-president of the Society, while filling the post of Secretary of war during 1879-80-81, secured for us copies of the proceedings of the courts martial on Shakopee and Medicine Bottle, two well known participants in the massacre of 1862, who were subsequently hung for their crimes. The contribution of Rev. W. T. Boutwell is mentioned elsewhere. Mr. Geo. R. Stuntz also contributed a valuable account of the works constructed by the pre-historic inhabitants in the northeastern portion of the State. From Gen. C. C. Andrews were received a number of manuscripts relating to the rebellion. Mr. Philip C. Sheren, of Ramsey county, has presented thirteen old parchment deeds, ranging from 1694 to 1778. They are very curious, as showing the cumbrous and formal style of conveyancing from one to two centuries ago. Some of them have enormous wax seals attached to them by cords, the seal enclosed in a tin box. The chirography in some of them is a marvel of beauty.

PAMPHLETS.

For some years the collection of pamphlets on all subjects was a prominent part of the library work. In a library such as ours, a fine and extensive collection of pamphlets would have a value not easily over estimated. Well arranged, and perhaps bound, or at least classified in pamphlet cases, they are as useful for reference as any other works, and often contain information to be found in no other source. It is the general tendency to underrate their value. While bound books are usually well cared for and preserved, but

few place much estimate on pamphlets, and they are soon thrown away or destroyed. Hence, pamphlets become, after a time, more rare than bound books, and causes the more necessity for libraries like this to collect and preserve them. Says Wm. F. Poole, LL.D., the well known bibliographer: "We can make no reasonable guess as to which of the books and pamphlets of our day will be rare and priceless 200 years hence; but of this we may rest assured—that they will be publications which we now regard as trifles, or trash."

In carrying out this work of collecting these unregarded waifs of to-day for future generations, this society had gathered a very valuable collection of 12,200 pamphlets and unbound documents. At the fire on March 1, 1881, there were 3,557 of these lost or injured so as to be worthless, leaving 8,643 in the library. We have sedulously endeavored, since that time, to make good the losses then suffered, and have been generously aided by some of our friends. Still, it is not easy to secure pamphlets in any considerable lots, as they are not often offered for sale in quantities. We have, it is true, gained very gratifying accessions in this line since the fire, but it will be some time again before we can secure as fine a collection as we had prior to that event. We are, therefore, justified in urging our friends and patrons to use all efforts to obtain for us everything of this description which they can—even those seemingly valueless, and forward them to us for preservation. We have, fortunately, a few friends and corresponding members, who make systematic and continuous efforts to collect for us everything of that nature. Among them we may be excused for particularizing Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston; Rev. C. D. Bradlee, do.; Robert Clarke, Cincinnati; Rev. J. F. Tuttle, Wabash University; Henry Phillips, Jr., Philadelphia; etc. These valuable services, not only to us, but to the cause of historic research generally, by the preservation of so much material which might otherwise have been lost, deserve all praise. It is a work which is too much overlooked and under-estimated by the friends and even the members of historical societies.

NEWSPAPERS.

During the past two years our collection of newspapers has increased gratifyingly. In previous reports the special efforts made by the Society to collect and preserve this ephemeral and fleeting, but valuable, literature were fully set forth. It has always been one of our main specialties to collect and preserve the newspaper

literature of our State; and perhaps more labor and time has been expended by our librarian on this department than on any other one portion of his work. We have now nearly 1,000 bound volumes of Minnesota newspapers, from 1849 to the present day, and this fine collection is increasing at the rate of 60 to 75 volumes per year. We now receive regularly, and file, 150 weekly and 12 daily papers published in this State, together with several from Wisconsin and Dakota. These are neatly and substantially bound when enough are accumulated to form a volume. The binding bills for this one cause amount to a considerable expense every year.

The fire of March 1, '81, inflicted on us quite a serious loss in this department. The main portion, or all, in fact, of our *bound Minnesota Journals* was in our fire-proof vaults. These were unharmed by fire, but owing to the floods of water poured into the building by the firemen, some of it penetrated the roof of the vaults, and injured a few volumes by saturation, rendering rebinding necessary. As these vaults were of too limited capacity to contain all our newspaper collection, a number of volumes, both bound and unbound, had been stored in our duplicate room, as stated in a former part of this report. These were a total loss, and what is more unfortunate, were a class of books which probably cannot be replaced. Their loss is, therefore, keenly deplored, and is discouraging in the extreme.

There are still a few Minnesota Journals which are not sent to us for preservation. A special effort has been made the past year to secure these. We believe that if all our Minnesota publishers understood our reasons for collecting their issues, and were aware of our success in gathering the fine series we now have, they would most gladly aid us. The preservation of these journals redounds to the credit of a useful and honorable profession. Of many of these papers we have the only files in existence, the publisher's own sets frequently being destroyed. So that but for our care the results of their labor and outlay would utterly perish, and leave no trace for future generations.

We have secured by purchase during the past year a fine set of the New York Daily Herald from 1845 to 1878, unbound. This set was preserved by a pains-taking and systematic antiquary named James Swaim, of Fort Dodge, Iowa, who, after thirty-three years collecting and saving, was gathered to his fathers, and the set was sold us by his widow. Any man who will preserve files of a daily paper for thirty-three years, deserves a tribute from societies like this. It is by the labors of such that our coral reef slowly

risers. We can only wish there were more such toilers. The number of persons who preserve files of newspapers, is conspicuously small. The patient genius of details necessary for such work, appears in but a small percentage of the race. Perhaps it is considered too insignificant a work, and beneath the notice of most. As was remarked in regard to the gathering of pamphlets, there is needed a "greatness in small things." Most men, perhaps, have an ambition to be great in great things, yet success in that is the lot of but few. The truly useful and really great men are those who grasp the idea that in details only can any great thing be accomplished. The most valuable libraries have generally been made up of small and slow accretions, sometimes each in itself of small value relatively. This has not unfrequently been accomplished by a private collector. The notable example of Peter Force, whose library, the gatherings of a long life, was purchased by Congress, will occur to many.

While there are but few of our friends, or members, who can make us gifts of large value at any one time, there is not one but who can, by a little care and perseverance, secure for us a contribution which we should always prize, viz., files of papers. Even standard religious papers are desirable, as they contain so many biographies and other material for history. Perhaps many of our members have regretted frequently, their inability to give us a princely endowment or erect for us our much needed building, and yet during the very time spent in these unavailing regrets, might have accumulated for us a set of journals which would possibly be unique, or gathered a considerable collection of pamphlets. Aiming at the stars is all well enough, but pearls are strewn all along our pathways, which the too loftily ambitious never see, and finish their race empty-handed.

We have now sets of newspapers reaching back over two centuries. During the past year, a much prized set of the *Connecticut Gazette*, from 1780 to 1802, the gift (in numbers) of the late Rev. John Mattocks prior to his death, have been handsomely bound. As the papers were becoming somewhat spongy and fragile, we had them carefully sized, restoring strength of texture enough to stand the corroding tooth of time for several centuries more.

That we have over-rated the value of our newspaper collection as a means of historical reference, no one will assert who knows the frequency of the references to it. It is appealed to thousands of times yearly, for every imaginable sort of information, sometimes of a very curious kind—persons often making considerable journeys

from the interior of the State to examine these once uncared for issues of the press, which we have preserved until they became valuable.

BINDING.

Since resuming operations after the fire, we made special efforts to have all binding done, which was awaiting that stage. In all, 259 volumes have been bound, since Jan. 1, 1881. Of these, 160 were newspapers. There has been, and still is, difficulty in getting the work done properly, though not so much now as formerly. Binding must always be quite an item of our expenses.

PUBLICATIONS.

By the fire about one thousand volumes of our publications, bound and unbound, were destroyed. Of some of these, we had, prior to that loss, enough to last a number of years, but have now but a few copies remaining. Perhaps not more than fifteen or twenty complete sets could be made up now, although of one or two "parts" of volumes we have over 200 copies left. This will render necessary the reprinting of a part of the volumes, at no very distant day. A short time before the fire we ordered the reprinting of Vol. II. part 2. These were finished and delivered after the fire, so that we now have 1,000 copies of that part.

Owing to our somewhat disorganized condition for a part of the time after the fire, the Society was prevented from taking any steps towards continuing the publication of our collections. Our efforts to secure contributions on historical subjects connected with the early days of this State have not been relaxed. Several very valuable contributions have been secured. Rev. W. T. Boutwell has contributed two exceedingly interesting papers, and others have been written by the president, Gen. Sibley, Capt. Edwin Bell, Geo. R. Stuntz, and others.

Several months since, the attention of the Society was called at one of the meetings, to the fact that no military history of our State, and the part it took in the late civil war, had ever been prepared, and that it was time that such a work should be undertaken. It was urged that this Society was the agency through which such a work should be gotten up, as it alone had the works of reference, documents and archives necessary therefor, or the means and facilities of collecting such material. On the other hand, it was objected, that our real province was not so much to *write* history, as gather

and keep the materials and aids for others to use. Moreover, the Society has the services of only one person who could be charged with the work of compiling such a history,—its Secretary, and the great and rapid increase of library work, which is largely composed of details which consume much time, has left but little opportunity for that officer to do such writing out of the absolutely necessary routine of his daily duties. It was, however, after some consideration, thought desirable to have that officer proceed with the work, and it was so ordered. Slow progress has been made by him, until quite recently, when the great pressure of the library work entirely deprived him of the opportunity to continue it. When the work of removing into our new rooms, and re-arranging our collection there shall be completed, the compilation can then proceed interruptedly. Such a work will necessarily be a bulky one, and will undoubtedly made one large, or two medium size, octavos. It should be here noted that this Society has no means to pay for the printing of such a work, when completed. It would be necessary for the Legislature to assume this expense, as it is not probable any publisher would undertake it. The cost would not probably be much less than \$5,000, and the authority of that body (in advance) to undertake the work, seems a pre-requisite to any farther outlay of labor on the same, so that such expenditure of time and means may not, in the end, prove fruitless.

MEMBERSHIP.

The membership of the society being composed almost entirely of life members, it is necessarily subject to but few changes, except those occasioned by death. Since the issuance of our last report (January, 1881) the deaths of but three active members have been reported—Hon. J. C. Ramsey, Ex-Gov. Stephen Miller, and Henry F. Masterson, Esq. All of these gentlemen were widely known citizens of our State. The death of a corresponding member, Col. Joseph Lemuel Chester, of London, Eng., an eminent antiquary and scholar, should also be noted here.

While we have never made a practice of importuning persons to become members, since any citizen is free to become one, it was always felt that an increase in our membership would be desirable. During the past year some special effort was made looking to such enlargement of our number. One hundred gentlemen, residing principally in the cities of Minneapolis, Stillwater and St. Paul, were nominated as life members. Nearly half of these promptly

accepted the offer, and if further solicited, doubtless all would cheerfully join. We have now about 125 life members, whereas we ought to have twice that number.

FIRE-PROOF BUILDING.

For years before the destruction of the old capitol, a fire-proof building was a dream of this society. We had been warned on every hand, repeatedly, that if we did not remove our large and valuable collection from the extra-hazardous building in which it was deposited, its loss would, ere long, come to add keen but un-availing regrets at our fatal dilatoriness. One or two nerveless efforts were made to realize the consummation so devoutly wished, but they were unsuccessful, and at last the stroke so long feared and prophesied, fell.

That event, and the fact that we were disappointed in securing such advantageous apartments in the new capitol as we had expected to have, called attention afresh to the necessity of a fire-proof building. At the meeting in March, 1882, the President of the Society, Gen. Sibley, presented a communication offering the sum of \$2,000 toward the construction of such an edifice. Other generous subscriptions followed—notably one by Norman W. Kittson for \$5,000; and in a little time, by the efforts of our President, subscriptions were pledged amounting to about \$15,000. It was the intention, if possible, to raise \$25,000 by subscription, and then to request a gift from the State of an equal amount. The sum so raised would provide us with a handsome and safe library building, ample in size for many years. Had this movement been undertaken a little earlier, the whole amount needed could have been guaranteed, but we fear there is not time now to complete the work before the close of the present session, a fact that will cause a delay of two years.

Meantime, the Society will occupy the rooms prepared for its use, in the new capitol. The fear has been expressed, that these apartments are not conveniently planned for our use, and are poorly lighted, the latter a serious defect, if it proves true. A library room should be so light and cheerful as to attract, not repel, visitors and students. Their location, also, will continue to be a drawback, as it was in the old building, on the success which we might have if more favorably situated. For this we are not to blame. We made efforts to secure rooms in another part of the

building, but it was found that we could not get the space we needed on any other floor. Fortunately the rooms are fire-proof, a desideratum which will compensate for many other deficiencies.

CATALOGUE.

The work of rearranging our library after removal, and getting its various departments into convenient shape, will probably occupy several months, while the furnishing of the rooms properly will require no small sum. As soon as we can get our collection properly arranged, the work of preparing a card catalogue, in the most thorough and comprehensive manner, must be commenced as soon as possible. We were just about to engage in this work when interrupted by the fire.

MEETINGS.

The meetings of the Society have been held with regularity, and the business has been attended to with uniform promptness. Since the fire the Society has labored under the disadvantage of not having a pleasant or convenient place to hold its meetings, and no special efforts have been made to induce the attendance outside of the members of the Executive Council, who are entrusted with the business management of the Society. Hence the Society has been almost prevented from holding any meetings for literary productions or historical investigations. Still, several very interesting papers have been read, a part of which are referred to under the head of Publications.

On January 1, 1882, occurred the triennial election of councilors, the list of whom is attached to this report, together with the officers chosen by them at the ensuing meeting.

FINANCES.

The Legislature of 1881 appropriated for the use and support of this Society the sum of \$4,000 annually, for the years 1881 and 1882. This has been expended as follows :

MISCELLANEOUS,	Expended in 1881.	Expended in 1882.
For purchase of books.....	\$ 870 48	\$1,602 60
“ Binding	111 42	401 70
“ Freight and expense	67 66	107 86
“ Postage	25 90	43 59
“ Printing	191 50	21 50
“ Furniture	879 09	31 45
“ Insurance	400 00	.....
“ Fuel and gas.....	19 08	19 65
“ Removal expenses	54 20	.....
“ Stationery	28 05	12 54
“ Miscellaneous	6 35	66 15
“ Service	1,702 50	1,500 00
Total	\$4,361 23	\$3,807 06

The details of the above items of expenditures are given in the State Auditor's biennial report, and it is unnecessary to repeat them in full here. The vouchers are on file in his office. In order to meet the increased expenditures which will be necessary, an appropriation of about \$6,000 for each of the years 1883 and 1884 is asked.

CONCLUSION.

In a previous report, the work and duty of such a society as this was formulated as follows :

I. (1) the collection, (2) the preservation, and (3) the publication, of materials for the history of Minnesota.

II. The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference in the most valuable departments of knowledge.

III. The diffusion among the citizens of the State, of useful knowledge.

The general divisions of this work have all been minutely set forth in the foregoing pages. While the success attending the *collecting* department of our work has been gratifying, the failure in *preservation* has been a marked feature of the term which this report covers. The loss of so much valuable material committed to our care is regretted deeply by us, but the destruction of the building containing it was a casualty for which, of course, we can be held in no degree responsible. We would gladly have removed into a safer one long prior to that event, had we the power. But it is scarcely possible that such a loss will occur again in all time to come.

But it must not be supposed that we indulge in fruitless repinings at our loss. The past cannot be recalled. The lessons it has taught us we can profitably use. It is to the future that we look with hope—the future in which we can largely retrieve the disasters of the past. In fact, we are now in a condition to take fresh courage and engage in our work more confidently than ever. At no previous time has our outlook been more encouraging or reassuring. The same fidelity and staying qualities which have built the Society up from nothing to its present gratifying position, can still be relied on to carry it to yet farther success, and “bring it into a larger place.” We have had no Aladdin’s lamp to summon supernatural powers to build for us as if by magic. The institution we have built has arisen by slow but steady labor; yet we hope we have builded wisely and well, and that it will endure for the generations who come after us. It has been well remarked, that “men die, but institutions survive.” As the poet expressed it in the song of the river—

Men may come, and men may go,
But I go on forever.

The generation which founded this Society, and built it up, has, in the march of time, nearly all passed away. Yet others will follow, to whom our good work may be trustfully committed.

APPENDIX A.

PRINCIPAL ACCESSIONS TO THE LIBRARY DURING 1881-'82.

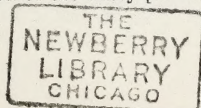
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Capt. Henry A. Castle, St. Paul,.....	1
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Wm. B. Dean, St. Paul,.....	1
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Col. Wm. Crocker, St. Paul	5	
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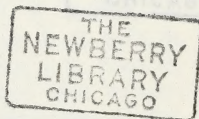
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REPORT.

At the close of the thirty-fifth year of its corporate existence, our society, which is now the oldest State institution in Minnesota, finds itself in a very prosperous and gratifying condition. The last published biennial report was dated January, 1883. At that time we were occupying the unwholesome and dingy apartments in the St. Paul Market House, into which the society had hastily removed after the disastrous fire of March 1, 1881. Not long after the publication of that report, (about March 20, 1883), the rooms designed for this society, in the basement of the new Capitol, were in readiness for our use, and the library and other property of the society were removed hither, and the work of arranging commenced. It was not until midsummer, however, that everything was completely adjusted and in smooth running order again, after two years or more of a rough and rugged experience, occupying unsuitable quarters, moving and removing, repairing damage by fire and water, etc., which we trust may never be our lot to undergo again.

At the date of the above cited report, the society was still busily engaged in the work of restoring its library and other collections to as good condition as before the fire. Since that time no effort has been spared to accomplish the task, and we are gratified to be able to report that we have now nearly repaired the ravages of that disaster, and that all which can be done, has been done, to secure that end. There are few evidences now visible to show that any such event occurred, nor does it, in any way, now hinder the work of the society.

OBJECTS OF HISTORICAL SOCIETIES.

"What is this work?" it may be asked, and as this report may fall into the hands of many of our citizens who have but an

imperfect idea of the objects, province and scope of a society like this, it may be well, prior to a detailed statement of our operations, to briefly enumerate them.

A "historical society," such as is now fostered in almost every state of our Union, may be defined, simply, as an organized and associated effort of persons interested in the collection and conservation of materials for history, and the diffusion of knowledge, by a concentrated effort for that purpose. While each could doubtless accomplish much by individual effort, the power and strength of union is evinced here as in other good enterprises. By co-operating together, with a common purpose, united funds, a common receptacle for gathered treasures, and by mutual aid and encouragement, the historical societies of this and other countries have been enabled to perform a most important and valuable work, one whose results, though not now so fully appreciated and understood as they should be, will, in a few years, be apparent to all. In forty-two states and territories of our Union they have zealously pursued their labors, and that they have been reasonably successful is evinced by the fact that in 1876 they were reported as having collected 482,000 volumes, 568,000 pamphlets, 88,771 manuscripts, most all of the foregoing relating to the history of America, and have secured buildings, lands and funds valued at nearly \$2,000,000. It would be safe to estimate the value of their libraries and museums at another million; that is, if money is a measure of their value—all showing what has been accomplished by associated effort, in this direction, of persons interested in preserving the history of our country or of its various localities.

The original charter of this society, enacted in 1849, stated its objects to be: "the collection and preservation of a library, mineralogical and geological specimens, Indian curiosities, and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate the history and settlement of said Territory." The amended charter of 1856, enacted: "the objects of said society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof, a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science and literature."

The work of this society may therefore be formulated thus:

I. (1) the collection, (2) the preservation, and (3) the publication of materials for the history of Minnesota.

II. The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference in the most valuable departments of knowledge.

III. The diffusion among the citizens of the State, of useful knowledge.

I. COLLECTION, ETC., OF MATERIALS FOR HISTORY.

The "collection" of the proper materials for the history of our State, and its people, is perhaps the most difficult portion of the work described in the first division above, so widely scattered are the sources of information, and so great their variety. The printed material would include everything in the shape of books, pamphlets, documents, maps, engravings, circulars, hand bills, cards, etc., which may, by contents, relate to the State and its people, or throw any light on any portion of their history. Much of this material is little valued now, and being in a very transient shape, is not preserved by any but the curious. Its collection, in some depository where it can be preserved, and made accessible to the public, is therefore peculiarly our work. By what other means or agency could it be accomplished? The unparalleled growth and advancement of the Northwest, particularly of our own State, unmistakably devolved upon the men of to-day, the duty of taking action and successful means to procure a true record of its past history. The races that once inhabited this region were rapidly disappearing, and all accounts of their religion, customs and history were fading away as rapidly, to be soon lost unless recorded. The brave and daring pioneers of the Northwest, who explored its vast areas, first mapped its majestic rivers and lakes, and first traversed its great prairies and forests, planting the mission house or trading post in those wilds, and whose exploits, escapes, perils and achievements constitute the romantic period of our history, were becoming well nigh forgotten. While the no less interesting and wonderful events of the present generation, the settlement of the State, the peopling and tilling of our vast prairies, the building of extensive railroads and other public works, and the marvelous rise of our towns and cities, with all the institutions of the highest civilization, and whose rapid growth have been unexampled in history—these would have been lost, or so imperfectly recorded as to be useless

to posterity, without some institution like this, whose especial object it should be to collect and preserve those memorials.

In this work not alone printed books and pamphlets and especially newspapers (of which we have an exceedingly valuable collection) play an important part as materials for history, but even circulars, hand bills, cards, pictures and miscellaneous printed matter of various kinds. Sometimes these little waifs, cared for or kept by but few, and, in some instances, every copy of which become lost, often acquire a marvelous value in a few years, because some date, some fact, some incident, needed to complete the mosaic of history, is supplied by the once despised scrap. It is to preserve at least one copy of all such things, that is one of our principal aims.

A large portion of the materials for the history of our State is yet in unwritten form, and consists of reminiscences of our pioneers and early settlers. We have diligently endeavored to collect these before the great reaper gathers in the aged pioneers, who alone can furnish from memory many facts not otherwise recorded. Our five volumes of published historical collections, relating to this State and the Northwest, show how well we have succeeded.

2. The *preservation* of these materials is included under division II. as the library portion of our work, and will be fully explained there.

3. The *publication* of the materials gathered. This department of our work is fully treated of later under the head "Publications."

II. COLLECTION AND MANAGEMENT OF A LIBRARY.

That a general library of some completeness is necessary to the work of a society such as this, will be evident. The researches after materials upon the history of Minnesota, as enumerated in I. (1), would necessarily result in accumulating a considerable collection of works and documents bearing directly on that subject, and, in addition, a large number on subjects germane thereto, and necessary to its completeness and scope. Thus, under the latter division, would be needed works of the early explorers and missionaries, relating generally to Nouvelle France, and explorations and travels generally in the Northwest. Then histories of the West, at large, archives and documents relating to the above subjects. In addition to these, a full equipment of

material for research would require quite a list of works on the Indian races of North America, and on archaeology and ethnology generally, while treatises on geology and other branches of natural history, on statistics, on commerce, etc., together with maps and atlases and dictionaries, of various kinds, biographies and genealogies, even, would all be found necessary. In short it would be found that there are really but few classes of works usually kept in libraries, which would not be needed as reference works by one studying nothing but the history of Minnesota, in all its bearings. Thus it will be seen how a considerable library would spring up without going beyond the work required in division I. Its extension, to include *all* subjects of useful knowledge, would be but a natural outgrowth from such a beginning, in fact, would become necessary, since libraries will grow, and thus we have the library portion of our work, now become so important and valuable. This would naturally fall into two subdivisions. (1) The collection, through gifts from members and correspondents, or secured by soliciting donations from the public at large, and from exchanges of duplicates and our own publications with other societies, and by purchase. (2) The preservation and management, according to the best rules of the bibliothecal science, of the works so collected, and keeping them in an accessible shape for the use of the public, with properly prepared catalogues, etc. The library portion of our work is more fully spoken of in the pages following.

The collection of a museum has been diligently carried on, so far as purely historical and archaeological curiosities are concerned, relating mostly to our own State. The natural history of our State has not been much illustrated, as it is believed the natural history societies already organized can better perform that work than we can, with the small means we would be able to devote to it.

III. THE DIFFUSION OF KNOWLEDGE.

The cultivation of a knowledge of, and taste for, the useful and liberal arts, science and literature, has perhaps been less directly carried out than any of the other duties laid on us, for want of the necessary means. With a proper building for an art gallery, an audience hall for lectures, and a fund with which to pay lecturers and scholars for services rendered, this division of our work could be easily performed. To some extent it is

already, but only incidentally to other work. Our library furnishes scholars and students ample material for researches, and the knowledge thus derived is diffused in many ways, by lectures, addresses, sermons, press contributions, State papers and official reports, pamphlets and books.

THE LIBRARY.

Let us now glance at the library portion of our work. The business of this department may be summed up in the four operations of—1, getting; 2, keeping; 3, cataloguing; and 4, communicating books. All four of these divisions have received good attention during the past two years.

Two years ago (Jan. 1, 1883,) there were 10,201 bound volumes on our register. During 1883 there were added 623. These were gained as follows: by purchase, 317; gift, 152; binding, 106; exchange, 48. In addition to this there were gained, during 1883, 409 pamphlets, 15 maps, 23 atlases, 18 curiosities, 9 pictures, 30 manuscripts, etc. All the pamphlets were gifts; but 11 of the maps and the 23 atlases were purchased.

During the year 1884 (up to Dec. 1) there were gained as follows: Bound books, by gift, 142; by purchase, 59; binding, 39; exchange 4; total, 242. Pamphlets, 445; maps, 9; pictures, 2; curiosities, 18; manuscripts, 3; all by gift, and by purchase, 1 engraving and 2 curiosities.

The total number of volumes now (Dec. 1, 1884,) in the library, is: bound, 11,067; unbound, 11,023; total, 22,090.

It will be observed that the purchase of books the past year has fallen off to a marked degree, and is really smaller than for several years past. Instead of purchasing several hundred volumes, as we should ordinarily have done, only fifty-nine were bought during 1884. This is owing to extraordinary and unexpected expenses, such as fitting up and furnishing our new rooms, the outlay for cataloguing, assessments against our building lots, and the printing of the fifth volume of our collections; all of which expenses had to be paid out of our current revenue, and has taken some \$2,500, which otherwise would have been expended in the purchase of books.

GIFTS RECEIVED.

We must again acknowledge with the sincerest gratitude, the reception from our annually extending list of patrons, of many

very desirable and valuable gifts during the past two years. That unflagging care and generosity on their part, which, in years past has contributed so much to build up our truly splendid collection, still calls for renewed thanks on the part of the people for whom we are collecting this library. Many of these generous donors have been for years our patrons, and our annual reports for a generation back, almost, bear their names on our "Roll of Honor," as having contributed generously towards our treasures. Among them may be prominently mentioned Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston; Rev. C. D. Bradlee, Boston; Isaac Smucker, Newark, O.; Gen. J. W. De Peyster, New York; H. Phillips, Jr., Philadelphia; Robert Clarke, Cincinnati; Hon. Alex. Ramsey, St. Paul; Col. John P. Nicholson, Philadelphia; and others, all of whom have again kindly remembered us with much appreciated gifts. Dr. Green, as usual, heads the list with nineteen bound and five hundred and six unbound volumes. Very many of our corresponding societies have made us very valuable contributions of their publications, or other documents. From Prof. B. M. Reynolds, Faribault, we have received a number of educational journals, and from Dr. D. W. Hand, St. Paul, a valuable lot of medical serials. The American Congregational Association, of Boston, sends us, in exchange, twenty volumes of the "Congregational Quarterly," a valuable periodical. The Seventh Day Adventist Publishing Society contribute ten volumes of their denominational literature. Oliver Gibbs, Jr., furnishes us with fifty copies of the proceedings of the Minnesota Horticultural Society, for both 1883 and 1884, for use as exchanges. Hon. Samuel E. Adams contributes seventy-two copies of Minnesota laws, of former years. Capt. Edward Maguire, U. S. A., also donates the atlas of Clarence King's Geological Exploration.

But it would be impossible to particularize, where all have done so generously. A full list of the donors of volumes accompanies this report, to which reference is made; and we hereby extend to these kind patrons our sincere thanks for so aiding us in our work. They can rejoice equally with us in the success of the institution which they have contributed so much to build up.

MUSEUM.

Our archaeological and historical museum has received some valuable accessions during the past two years. The antiquities of our aboriginal inhabitants are well represented among these.

From Peter Onstad, of Crookston, we have received a pipe made from the famous red pipestone. Victor Richards, of White Bear Lake, contributes a spear head of agate, a rare and valuable specimen, found by him imbedded in a decayed tree, on Spirit Island, in said lake; while Capt. Edwin Bell donates the gigantic jawbone of an Indian, dug up on the same historic ground, with some weapons and trinkets found with the skeleton. James S. Hughes, a civil engineer, of Stillwater, sends us several copper beads found in a mound near Prairie du Chien, Wis.; also, a section of a tree gnawed down by beavers, from the Lake Superior region. From W. A. Forsberg, near Hutchinson, we have procured, by purchase, a copper spear head, dug up under several feet of soil. A. J. Westcott, of St. Paul, gives us a curiously constructed and ornamented dagger, evidently ancient, found concealed under a log near Sauk Rapids. W. J. Abernethy, of Minneapolis, sends us a silver cross found in a mound in Wisconsin, and some Confederate buttons of various patterns. We have also secured, by purchase, a large silver medal of President Adams' administration, 1825, once given by the Government to a Sioux chief on the Missouri River, and descending from father to son, was finally sold by White Eagle, a degenerate scion of the original owner, to a curiosity hunter in 1883. Its coin value is over \$8. Mr. J. Guilford, of Minneapolis, contributes a United States cavalry pistol, used in the war of 1812. In curious contrast with the aboriginal copper and stone spear heads referred to above, is the iron head of a pike, used by the Irish patriots of 1798, contributed by Mr. E. F. Conyngham, of St. Paul; and a lance head used by the Sixth Pennsylvania cavalry in 1863, the gift of Capt. W. M. Heath.

Mr. H. Rivett Carnac, of Ghazipur, India, contributes five prehistoric stone hammers or axes, and some smaller flint weapons, found in that region, and which are thought by archaeologists to be of the most ancient kind. Their very close resemblance, in form and material, to those made by the aborigines of Minnesota, is remarkable. Col. Hans Mattson, American consul general at Calcutta, through whom this gift was forwarded, adds a box of alabaster, a specimen of modern Hindoo workmanship, inlaid in an exquisite manner, and altogether a remarkable specimen of native skill. Mrs. Angelina Hinckley, formerly Mrs. Jackson, of St. Paul, contributes a genuine historical relic, being the first family clock ever brought to St. Paul; also, the first pair of tongs, and the first dinner bell. Capt.

Wm. H. Taylor, of the State prison guard, contributes a Springfield musket, partially burned in the State prison fire, of Jan. 25, 1884; M. O. Hall, two pieces of granite from the Washington monument; James M. Gray, Fergus Falls, the fossil head of a saurian, from the Bad Lands; C. P. Lundholm, of Stillwater, a piece of keel of the ship Vega, the first vessel which made the passage of Behring Straits; W. W. Cox, a geode, etc., etc. Some interesting specimens of currency have also been secured: from the Tennessee Historical Society, ten specimens Confederate money; from Dr. David Day, St. Paul, specimens of New Jersey revolutionary currency, and a \$1 note on Bidwell's Bank, Kalamazoo, Mich. We also obtained, by purchase, some scarce issues of St. Paul city scrip, dated 1858.

Thus it will be seen that the almost total loss of our fine cabinet, on March 1, 1881, is being rapidly repaired by a new collection, which, by the generosity of our friends, will soon be one of which we can feel proud. We regret that the confined space and poor light of the apartment where we have our museum on display very much detracts from its appearance at present. Indeed, we are now offered some bulky articles for our collection which we actually have no room to display, if we receive them.

PICTURES, MAPS, MSS., ETC.

Gen. John B. Sanborn donates a large framed "bird's-eye view" engraving of the battle of Gettysburg; and Mr. P. C. Sherren, a framed engraving of another famous field, the battle of Naseby, in 1645, executed soon after that date. Hon. Alex. Ramsey donates a colored lithograph of St. Paul in 1874; Mr. L. P. C. Godefroy, a reissue of the celebrated lithograph of "Saint Paul in 1853," and one of Saint Paul in 1884 was secured by purchase. This completes a full series of engraved views of Saint Paul, six in number, showing its progress for thirty years. We shall be very glad to secure a like series of views of every town in the State, showing its growth and development from time to time. Geo. H. Hazzard, of Saint Paul, contributes a life-size likeness of Henry Villard, made for the famous Northern Pacific Railroad celebration, in September, 1883. Col. J. R. King sends us a framed likeness of Gen. All. Sully, once commander of the First Minn. Regiment, a name inseparably woven into our military history. The New York Life Insurance Company contributes a handsome engraving, entitled "Origin of the

Stars and Stripes;" and Mr. S. S. Eaton, an engraving of Bartholdi's famous statue of "Liberty."

Some very valuable manuscripts have also been secured. Hon. Edmund Rice contributes the record book, roll and other papers of the "Minnesota Mexican War Veterans Association." J. Guilford sends us the register of the "Cheever House" at Saint Anthony, in 1857, an institution which many old settlers will remember. Benj. F. Irvine, of St. Paul, gives us the record book of the old "Pioneer Guard," of that city—1859-1861—a famous military corps in its day. Gen. Nettleton, of Minneapolis, donates a tracing of Gov. William Clark's name, cut on "Pompey's Pillar," Yellowstone Valley, during Lewis and Clarke's historic expedition, in 1804-5-6. Rev. C. D. Bradlee, of Boston, sends us an autograph of A. P. Upshur, Secretary of the Navy in 1843. From O. W. Shaw, Austin, Minn., we have received two autograph letters of Mrs. Eleanor Parke Lewis and Maj. Lawrence Lewis, which those familiar with the life of Washington will remember. Mr. J. W. McClung contributes an autograph letter of Hon. Horace Greeley; and Mr. I. P. Wright, a MS. letter written by the celebrated Miss. Laura Bridgman, remarkable for being blind, deaf and dumb. F. W. Anderson, Esq., of St. Paul, enriches our MS. collection with twenty-four letters and documents relating to Connecticut history between the years 1751 and 1804. From Capt. R. Blakeley we have received the register of Minnesotians attending the Republican National Convention of 1880; and from Harlan P. Hall, Esq., the same of the convention of 1884.

We have also secured, by purchase, a manuscript to which is attached quite an interesting history, viz.: A commission issued by Gov. William Clark (mentioned above) in 1816, to Ta-ma-ha, a Sioux chief of Red Wing's band, Minnesota. Ta-ma-ha was a character in his way, and was well known to most of the old settlers. A pretty full account of him will be found in Vol. III, Minnesota Historical Collections, page 150, and there are also references to his loyal services in the war of 1812, in Vol. I. The commission referred to was carried by Ta-ma-ha on his person, as a relic of great value and importance, until his death in 1863, aged eighty-five or ninety years. By continually showing it to white men, for he was inordinately proud of it, and folding and refolding it so often, it became at length somewhat frayed, and the edges are gone in one or two places. It has been rebacked, however, and is still quite legible. It reads as follows:

WILLIAM CLARK.

Governor of the Territory of Missouri, Commander in Chief thereof, and Superintendent of Indian Affairs.

To all who shall see these presents:

In consideration of the fidelity, zeal and attachment, testified by Tar-mah-hah (One Eye), of the Red Wing's band of Sioux, to the government of the United States, and by virtue of the power and authority in me vested, do hereby confirm the said Tar-mah-hah as a chief in the said band of Sioux aforesaid, having bestowed on him the small sized medal, wishing all and singular, the Indians, inhabitants thereof, to obey him as a chief, and the officers and others in the service of the United States, to treat him accordingly.

Given under my hand, at St. Louis, this 6th day of May,
in the year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred
and sixteen, and of the United States the fortieth.

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By his excellency's command,

WM. CLARK.

PUBLICATIONS.

In the annual report of 1879, reference was made (p. 11) to a valuable manuscript which was written by the late Wm. W. Warren, on "The Ojibway Nation, their Origin, History, Religion," etc. Mr. Warren, who was himself an Ojibway quarter-blood, spent some years in its preparation, with opportunities and qualifications perhaps possessed by no other writer on the subject, before or since, and impelled by an enthusiastic love of the subject. Mr. Warren died in 1853, just after he had completed his work, and while he was endeavoring to secure its publication. The manuscript subsequently passed into possession of Hon. H. M. Rice, at an outlay of several hundred dollars, and has been owned by him during the intervening time until recently, when he, with characteristic liberality, gave it to this society, on condition that we would publish it in good shape. The offer was accepted by the society, and our publication committee have been busily engaged the past several months in effecting its execution, and it is now about completed. It forms a volume of over 500 pages octavo, being the fifth of our series of publications. Rev. E. D. Neill, whose former services for over thirty years, in contributing to the historical publications of this society, entitle him to the gratitude of all interested in Minnesota history, has again rendered us invaluable service in enriching the volume with copious explanatory notes and an appendix, giving such documentary references by early writers, relating to the Ojibway nation, as would properly supplement the oral and traditionary

portion of the work by Mr. Warren. A memoir of Mr. Warren, with notices of his family and ancestors, by our secretary, Mr. J. Fletcher Williams, has also been added to the work, and a good heliotype likeness of Mr. Warren forms an appropriate frontispiece. The work has been stereotyped, and must long remain an important contribution to the history of a portion of the red race, now so rapidly disappearing, but which will be read by succeeding generations with increasing interest. This volume will be in every way highly creditable to our society, and our thanks are due to our committee on publication for securing its issue in such a creditable and handsome shape. The cost was about \$1,500.

In our last biennial report, notice was made of the fact that the greater part of our stock of publications, several hundred copies each of the first four volumes, had been destroyed by the fire. This will necessitate the reprinting of a part of them, at no very distant day. Of some of them we have only a few copies left.

NEWSPAPERS.

Our collection of newspapers continues to increase most gratifyingly. Since the last report, we have added eighty-eight volumes. All these were bound in a substantial and neat manner. We now receive eleven dailies published in Minnesota, and 156 weekly papers. A strenuous and unintermitted effort has been made to increase the number received. Circulars have been addressed to the publishers, from time to time, requesting them to send their journals here for preservation, and favorable responses have been received from some. Notwithstanding these efforts, we yet receive only about half the journals published in our State. We ought to receive all, and had we done so since we first commenced collecting them, this department would now be of untold value.

It must be evident now that we will never be able to make our collection complete, or anything like complete, as long as we rely on the *gratuitous* plan of getting them. That we have done so well in years past, is a credit to the generosity and pride of the journalists of our State. All the older publishers had been for a long time aware of our efforts to preserve their publications, and most of them had visited our rooms, where they must have witnessed, with true professional pride, our splendid collection of over one thousand volumes of Minnesota papers, neatly bound. But

a large proportion of the publishers of the present papers of the State have become residents in later years. Few of the latter class, most probably, have had opportunity to visit our rooms, or had occasion to notice our efforts to preserve the result of their labors. Our requests to these, for a gratuitous copy, would have been regarded, in all probability, as simply an effort to secure a "dead head" copy, and thus add to their probably already burdensome unproductive list. There can no longer be any doubt, but that, if we wish to make our collection complete, we will be compelled to subscribe for the papers we wish, and we have been strongly urged to this step. This will very largely add to our annual expenses. Three hundred weekly papers, averaging \$2 per annum each, and twelve or fifteen dailies, averaging \$10 each, will (together with binding and the services of an assistant—for it would require the whole time of one)—make an outlay for this one purpose that our present resources will not permit of. It would be necessary to secure a special appropriation for that very purpose. It is possible that publishers would, in view of our wish to secure their issues simply for preservation, reduce their price to one-half. If this were so, the outlay would not be so serious. There are still, of course, a very large number who would be willing to contribute their journals gratuitously as heretofore, but if we paid for any, it would of course be obligatory to pay for all, alike.

The increasing value of our newspaper collection, and the increasing use made of it, is a gratifying proof of the wisdom and forethought in making such a collection. It would be impossible to give an idea of the different objects of search which are the motives of those using these 1,000 volumes. In no other shape can the varied information contained in them be found. As a careful, minute, and contemporary chronicle of our history as a commonwealth, and as distinct communities—of the everyday life of the people, their views, habits, customs, ambitions, and religion,—their successes and failures, hopes and fears, virtues and vices, loves and hates, losses and gains, property and poverty, business, public and domestic life—no other annals could be so photographically correct and minute, nor mirror with such lifelike fidelity to succeeding generations, what people were, and what we did, in this latter half of the nineteenth century. The collection of the newspapers, then, of our State, must always be one of our main objects, and it is therefore more necessary that it should be complete and full as possible. The time

and outlay of money which it has cost us hitherto have been well repaid, and as we have a fire-proof apartment, where these chronicles will be secure from loss, there is every reason to believe that we are transmitting to posterity one of the most valuable histories of us as a people, that we can place on record. Says the Kansas Historical Society in its last report:

"It is the testimony of all makers of historical libraries, as well as of all who consult them, that next to the recovery of the records of the past, this saving of current publications is the best work a historical society can do."

PROPOSED PAINTING OF TREATY OF TRAVERSE DE SIOUX.

For several years this society has been in correspondence with Franc B. Mayer, Esq., a well known and talented artist, of Annapolis, Md., in regard to a painting of the signing of the Treaty of Traverse de Sioux in 1851. Mr. Mayer was present at that Treaty, and made sketches of the event itself, at the moment of the signing of the document, as well as portraits of the leading white and red dignitaries. He has thus the best materials for a correct and accurate painting of the event. Mr. Mayer is anxious now to complete the painting he has so long projected, on a large scale. Thirty-three years have now passed since that historic event, which extinguished the title of the savage to most of our present State, and threw open millions of fertile acres to the settlers. Mr. Mayer himself is "growing old," as he says, and is naturally anxious to complete his long projected work while he is physically able to do so. As he has the only accurate material, no one else could do the work correctly except himself. A fancy picture might be had, indeed, but here is the exact view, transmitting to canvas the scene as it was. Our State ought to possess a painting of an event of so much historic interest to itself. Such a chance ought not to be rejected. What would not Massachusetts give now for an *accurate* painting of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers? What price would Pennsylvania think too great for a faithful view of Penn's famous treaty, of which so many absurdly fanciful pictures have been made? And yet the Treaty of Traverse is to our State, what these events are to the States named. The small price at which Mr. Mayer will contract to complete the painting, \$3000, is far below the value which succeeding generations will place on such a work. It is a matter of regret that this society has no

fund which they could use for such a purpose, but the State should own such a work, and its purchase is warmly recommended by us.

OUR ROOMS.

As noted in a prior portion of this report, we moved into our apartments in the new Capitol about March 20, 1883. In this connection we must here express our gratitude to His Excellency, Gov. Hubbard, who did all in his power to have the rooms fitted up for our use in a neat and comfortable manner. The amount of space set apart for our use is ample, for the present at least. It is a matter of regret, however, that the apartments could not have been arranged in a somewhat different manner, as we find them, for the purposes of a public library, very awkwardly and inconveniently planned. A library, for convenience and easy use, needs a different arrangement of its apartments, light, etc., from almost any other occupant. One of the most pressing needs is an independent outside entrance, direct from the street into our rooms. Now, the visitor must ascend into the rotunda of the main floor, and from thence find his way into our rooms by a somewhat circuitous and dark passage and stairway, not always easy to find, especially on a cloudy day. This entrance opens into the rear of our suite of rooms, instead of into the main, or front, and best lighted room.

The deficiency of light, too, is a matter of regret. Only a small portion of our rooms is *well* lighted, whereas a public library and reading room should have abundance of light. The need of some means of heating the rooms in summer is also much felt. There is a considerable period of time in the spring and fall, while the steam-heating apparatus of the capitol building is not in operation, when the atmosphere of the rooms is too damp and cold to remain in with safety to health. Oftentimes the mercury, for days, did not mark over 55°. Flues, of which there are none in the building, are needed, so that a fire can be kept up during the cold and rainy weather in the summer, to prevent mould to the books at least, to say nothing of danger to the lives of the officials. Some mode of ventilation is also badly needed. At present only the primitive mode of opening doors and windows is within reach.

These defects are mentioned merely with a view of calling the attention of the legislature to them, in hopes that some means will be devised to remedy them, as can easily be done.

FIRE-PROOF BUILDING.

While for the present, as we remarked above, these apartments are spacious enough, at the present growth of the library, they will, at a not very distant period, be too small. We cannot, therefore, much longer defer action and earnest attention to the problem of securing for our treasures the long talked of fire-proof building, spoken of so hopefully in our last annual report. At that time quite a subscription had been collected through the efforts of our president, Gen. Sibley, and would have been prosecuted further, had not a severe and protracted illness prevented him from devoting any more time to a project for which he has always evinced such an active interest. If the measure was earnestly pushed among our members, its success would be certain. As stated in our last report, the intention was to raise \$25,000 by subscription, which, in addition to the real estate, now valued at \$25,000 more, would make the sum of \$50,000 contributed by the members of the society, on condition that the State would grant \$75,000 also. It is believed that this sum would furnish the society a commodious fire-proof building, ample for its use for half a century to come.

The insufficiency, at a near date, of our present apartments, makes it very necessary that the future convenience and security of our collections be properly provided for, by timely measures for the erection of such a building as we have spoken of. Our library is increasing at the rate of 1,000 volumes per year, and even this rate of growth will increase, while the use made of it by persons wishing to consult its treasures, is rapidly extending. It is, therefore, but a simple computation of figures to fix the date at which these apartments, dark, illy-arranged and often damp as they are at present, during a part of the year, will become so crowded as to present but a confused and heaped up mass of books and other objects, beyond the possibility of orderly arrangement and easy reference. With the procrastinating habit which seems inseparable from human nature, there is reason to fear that if some prompt action is not agitated soon to bring about the desired result, that time will glide away insensibly until the predicted era of over-crowding will steal on us unnoticed, and the evil feared will have actually engulfed us, paralyzing for the time our growth and success, and exposing us to consequent evils, which will be the more embarrassing and

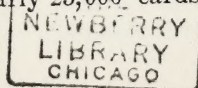
unfortunate, when we reflect that they were foreseen in time to have easily been prevented.

In this connection we may speak somewhat more at length of the real estate owned by the society. This consists of two lots, in size, jointly 150 x 100 feet, on the corner of two streets centrally located, forming altogether a valuable and desirable piece of property. These were purchased, as stated in former reports, for the sum of \$1,500, raised by the sale of sixty life memberships, but so rapid has been the growth of values of late years, they are now easily worth \$25,000. Finding that for a considerable period they were likely to be unoccupied, while the society was maturing its plans to build, it was deemed best to lease them for temporary buildings. Some rentals have thus been secured, but within a few months past such heavy assessments have been levied by the Board of Public Works, for paving, sewers, sidewalks, opening and grading of streets, etc., that we have paid out for such purposes a sum equal to the ground rents of ten years.

Under this head, a glance at the other assets of the society may not be out of place. We value our library, museum, etc., at \$50,000, and have an insurance on the same for \$20,000. This would make our total present assets \$75,000. This is all *State property*—the society being simply an organization created by the State to care for and manage it.

CATALOGUE.

In our report of 1883, mention was made of the fact that as soon as we could get settled and arranged in our new rooms, work would be commenced on our long contemplated catalogue, the inception of which had been delayed only by the disastrous fire in 1881. Pursuant to that intention, an effort was made to secure the services of a professional cataloguer, who should pursue the work steadily, without interruption by other duties, until its completion. After some correspondence with libraries East, we were fortunate enough to secure Miss Mary B. Meriam, an expert of the highest skill, bringing the best testimonials from several libraries where she had done first-class work for some years. Miss Meriam came on and commenced her duties here on June 1, 1883. Since that date, the cataloguing of the library on "cards," according to the most approved methods now in vogue, has been steadily in progress, and is almost completed. So far, nearly 25,000 cards have been written, and we



believe the work has been done in a thorough and conscientious manner. When finished, we will have as complete a catalogue as any library in this country, a desideratum sufficient to offset us for the outlay, which, up to this time has been nearly \$2,000. It is our hope to be able to print this catalogue in good shape, sometime during the coming year (1885).

BINDING.

The outlay for binding in a library as large as ours has now become, must always be, a considerable item of expense. A considerable proportion of the works we receive are unbound, and, with serials, newspapers, sets of pamphlets and documents, cause us quite an outlay for this one source. Our binding has been pressed as promptly as possible, and not allowed to accumulate, so that all books are put, as soon as can be done, in a permanent shape for use and preservation.

PATENTS.

The set of patent office specifications which the patent office has deposited with us, has increased quite rapidly of late. One large volume per month of the specifications and drawings has been issued, and as the volumes are becoming enormous in size, some movement has been made towards dividing these issues into two volumes monthly. This is in addition to the Patent Office Gazette, making four volumes per year. The use of these works is continually enlarging. Many of the persons coming to consult them have but a vague and crude idea of the articles they wish to study up, or of inventions already made, concerning which they desire information, and it needs minute and patient aid on the part of the librarian to put them on the track of the desired facts, oftentimes labor totally fruitlessly spent.

FINANCES.

The following is a statement of our expenditures for the years 1883 and 1884—the latter up to December 1, only:

EXPENDED.	1883.	1884.
For purchase of books, maps, etc.....	\$980.10	\$229.90
For binding of books.....	253.40	140.60
For express and freight.....	56.92	21.60
For postage.....	24.09	20.48
For printing and stationery.....	95.81	2.25
For furniture and repairs.....	1,000.70	26.80
For real estate, paving street, etc.....	1,011.45	.....
For insurance.....	.....	297.00
For moving from old rooms.....	101.25	.....
For miscellaneous.....	24.20	3.40
For cataloguing.....	759.78	1,160.50
For service.....	1,747.10	1,375.00
	\$6,044.80	\$3,277.53

The details of the above items of expenditures are given in the State Auditor's biennial report, and the vouchers are on file in this office.

CONCLUSION.

In closing this report, the executive council of the society congratulates its friends, and the people of the State generally, (in whose interests and behalf we are conducting it,) on the prosperous condition to which it has attained. Temporary backsets have, indeed, at times been met, and disasters incurred, but good management and perseverance have enabled us to surmount all these obstacles. No human institution is free from some asperities during its career, nor has human foresight ever entirely prevented them. We cannot but rejoice in our very gratifying success, in carrying out the objects and purposes of this society. We believe that we are now fully and completely fulfilling the designs of this institution, the objects for which it was founded. Grateful for the aid and confidence we have received from the people of this State, and hoping to repay it by enlarged usefulness, in the future, the result of continued prosperity and good management, we look forward to an era of enlarged means, better appliances, in a word, to our long contemplated fire-proof building, and perhaps to ample endowment funds, as that "good time coming," when we can, to the highest degree, execute our commission from our beloved Commonwealth.

APPENDIX.

LIST OF DONORS—1883-84.

I. FROM INDIVIDUALS.

	Bound Books.	Unbound Books.
Samuel E. Adams, Minneapolis, Minn.....	.....	73
Judge T. T. Alexander, St. Paul.....	3	1
Sons of Oakes Ames, North Easton, Mass.....	1	.....
Gen. C. C. Andrews, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	1
Hon. F. P. Baker, Topeka, Kansas.....	.....	1
Gen. J. H. Baker, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	.....
E. M. Barton, Worcester, Mass.....	.....	6
Charles N. Bell, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	2
Rufus Blanchard, Chicago, Ill.....	1	.....
Francis Marion Boutwell, Groton, Mass.....	1	1
Hon. W. W. Braden, St. Paul, Minn.....	2	.....
Rev. Caleb D. Bradlee, Boston, Mass.....	.....	12
Hon. A. M. Burgess, Ottawa, Canada.....	.....	6
J. H. Butler, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	.....
Rev. Thomas H. Canfield, Burlington, Vt.....	.....	1
Frank D. V. Carpenter, Highlands, N. Y.....	.....	1
C. F. Case, Marshall, Minn.....	1	.....
Josiah B. Chaney, St. Paul, Minn.....	3	3
E. S. Chittenden, St. Paul, Minn.....	2	.....
Robert Clarke, Cincinnati, O.....	1	5
Wilbur F. Cogswell.....	.....	1
John Collet, State Geologist, Indiana.....	2	.....
Thomas Cushing, Boston, Mass.....	1	.....
Miss Abby H. Daniels, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	36
Dr. David Day, St. Paul, Minn.....	7	62
E. M. Dean, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	.....
Gen. J. H. Watts De Peyster, Tivoli, N. Y.....	1	21
Edward J. Drury, London, Eng.....	1	.....
John B. Dunbar, Bloomfield, N. J.....	.....	8

Hon. Mark H. Dunnell.....	11	1
Dr. J. J. Egli, Vienna, Austria.....	.....	1
Charles D. Elfelt, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	1
E. J. Farmer, Cleveland, O.....	1	.....
Wm. Fenton, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	1
Prof. W. W. Folwell, Minneapolis, Minn.....	.....	1
Rev. R. Forbes, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	6
George Francis, Chicago, Ill.....	.....	2
Dr. Alfred C. Fryer, England.....	1	.....
Oliver Gibbs Jr., Lake City, Minn.....	.....	1
Hon. Aaron Goodrich, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	2
Daniel Goodwin, Jr.....	.....	2
Dr. Samuel A. Green, Boston, Mass.....	19	506
Harvey Gunnison, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	.....
George A. Hamilton, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	.....
Dr. D. W. Hand, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	139
Herman Haupt Jr, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	.....
George Hazzard, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	4
T. R. Hazard, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	.....
B. B. Herbert, Red Wing, Minn.....	.....	1
Alfred J. Hill, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	1
Dr. Edward Jarvis, Boston, Mass.....	.....	1
Gen. S. P. Jennison, Red Wing, Minn.....	.....	8
Rt. Rev. D. B. Knickerbacker, D. D., Indiana.....	8	29
Hon. John Jay Knox, New York, N. Y.....	3	.....
A. Legrelle, Strasburg, Germany.....	.....	1
J. J. McCarty, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	1
Gen. C. M. MacCarthy, St. Paul, Minn.....	2	.....
Hon. A. R. McGill, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	5
Hon. S. J. R. McMillan, Washington, D. C.....	2	20
Capt. E. Maguire, U. S. A.....	1	.....
Dr. W. Mathews, U. S. A.....	.....	1
Geo. Meade, Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	1
Col. J. P. Nicholson, Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	2
Prof. Edward North, Clinton, N. Y.....	.....	1
Prof. J. H. Noyes, Faribault, Minn.....	1	.....
Nathaniel Paine, Worcester, Mass.....	.....	23
C. B. Palmer, Sing Sing, N. Y.....	.....	1
Hon. E. C. Palmer, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	72
R. R. Parry, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	.....
T. S. Parvin, Iowa City, Iowa.....	1	2
Henry Phillips Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	3
H. V. & H. W. Poor, New York City.....	1	.....
Rev. E. G. Porter, Boston, Mass.....	.....	7
Pennock Pusey, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	1
F. W. Putnam, Cambridge, Mass.....	.....	1
Hon. Alex Ramsey, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	3
G. W. Rancke, Lexington, Ky.....	.....	1
James S. Rankin, Minneapolis, Minn.....	1	.....

Prof. B. M. Reynolds, Faribault, Minn.....	25	100
Hon. Edmund Rice, St. Paul, Minn.....	2	.....
Maj. Rogers, U. S. A.....	.....	1
Gen. John B. Sanborn, St. Paul, Minn.....	31	3
Gen. P. H. Sheridan, U. S. A.....	.....	1
Isaac Smucker, Newark, O.....	.....	39
G. Sidney Smith, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	1
Day F. Stacey, Duluth, Minn.....	.....	7
Mrs. Frances M. Stoddard, Roxbury, Bost.....	1	.....
Rev. James W. Strong, D. D.....	.....	3
F. Sturnegk, St. Paul, Minn.....	.....	1
R. O. Sweeny, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	.....
Wm. M. Tucker, Cambridge, Mass.....	4	.....
Rev. J. F. Tuttle, D. D., Crawfordsville, Ind.....	.....	2
A. J. Underwood, Fergus Falls, Minn.....	.....	1
H. P. Upham, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	.....
Hon. Wm. D. Washburn, Washington, D. C.....	39	4
Prof. A. W. Williamson, Rock Island, Ill.....	.....	19
J. Fletcher Williams, St. Paul, Minn.....	6	.....
Col. Charles Whittlesey, Cleveland, O.....	.....	3
Prof. N. H. Winchell, Minneapolis, Minn.....	2	2
Harrison Wright, Wilkesbarre, Pa.....	3

II. FROM SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTIONS.

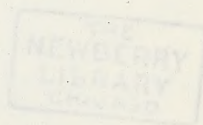
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American Congregational Association, Boston, Mass.....	120
American Museum of Natural History, New York City.....	2
Associated Charities of Boston, Mass.....	.....	1
Astor Library, New York City.....	.....	2
Board of Education, Chicago, Ill.....	.....	1
Boston, City of, Mass.....	3	.....
Boston City Hospital, Mass.....	.....	1
Boston Public Library, Mass.....	.....	4
Bostonian Society, Boston, Mass.....	.....	2
Buffalo Historical Society, Buffalo, N. Y.....	.....	3
Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C.....	.....	17
Carleton College, Northfield, Minn.....	.....	1
Chicago Historical Society, Chicago, Ill.....	4	2
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill.....	.....	2
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, O.....	.....	1
City of Charleston, S. C.....	1	.....
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, O.....	.....	1
Commandery of Mass. Loyal Legion.....	.....	1
Davenport Academy of Natural Sciences, Davenport, Ia.....	.....	1
Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.....	.....	9
Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass.....	.....	2
German Society of New York City.....	.....	1

Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.....	.....	2
Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio, Cincinnati.....	.....	1
Historical Society of Iowa, Iowa City.....	1	.....
Homestead Publishing Company, Minneapolis, Minn.....	.....	6
Kansas Historical Society, Topeka, Kansas.....	.....	2
Library Company, Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	1
Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.....	.....	1
Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore, Md.....	.....	5
Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, Mass.....	2	.....
Massachusetts Horticultural Society, Boston, Mass.....	.....	5
Minnesota Academy of Natural Sciences, Minneapolis, Minn.....	.....	1
Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis, Mo.....	.....	1
New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, Mass.....	.....	1
New England Methodist Historical Society, Boston, Mass.....	.....	2
New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, N. J.....	2	3
New York and Brooklyn Bridge Company, New York.....	1	.....
New York State Library, Albany, N. Y.....	1	.....
Numismatic and Antiquarian Society, Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	4
Old Residents Historical Association, Lowell, Mass.....	.....	3
Peabody Education Fund, Trustees of.....	2	.....
Peabody Institute, Baltimore, Md.....	.....	.....
Peabody Museum of Archaeology, Cambridge, Mass.....	.....	1
Pennsylvania Historical Society, Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	6
Pioneer Association, Athens County, O.....	.....	1
Polytechnic Society of Kentucky, Louisville, Ky.....	.....	1
Railroad and Warehouse Commission of Illinois.....	1	.....
Rhode Island Historical Society.....	2	2
Shaker Society, Shaker Village, N. H.....	.....	12
Saint Louis Public School Library, St. Louis, Mo.....	.....	1
Seventh Day Adventist Publishing Society, Battle Creek, Mich.....	10	.....
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.....	2	6
Society of Friends, Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	1
State Normal School, Winona, Minn.....	.....	2
Tennessee Historical Society, Nashville, Tenn.....	.....	1
University of California, Berkeley, Cal.....	.....	4
United States Chief of Engineers, Washington, D. C.....	1	5
United States Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D. C.....	24	102
United States Department of Interior, Washington, D. C.....	109	4
United States Department of State, Washington, D. C.....	3	8
United States Signal Bureau, Washington, D. C.....	2	1
United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, Washington, D. C...	1	.....
United States Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.....	1	.....
United States Naval Observatory, Washington, D. C.....	1
United States War Department, Washington, D. C.....	3	1
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West Chicago Park Commissioners, Chicago, Ill.....	1
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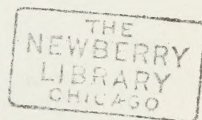
Worcester Society of Antiquity.....	3
Wyoming Historical and Geological Society.....	6
Yale College, New Haven, Conn.....	1
Yale College Alumni Association.....	4
Cobden Club, London, Eng.....	2
Congres International des Orientalistes, Paris.....	1
Institution Ethnographique, Paris.....	1
L'Academie Royale de Copenhague, Denmark.....	7
Leeds Literary and Philosophical Society, Leeds, Eng.....	2
Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society, Winnipeg, Man... ..	9
Mitchell Library, Glasgow, Scotland.....	1
Oberlausitschen Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften, Gorlitz, Prussia.....	7
Royal Historical Society, London, Eng.....	7
Societe Americaine de France, Paris, France.....	7
Societe d' Ethnographie, Paris, France.....	3
Societe des Etudes Japonaises, Paris, France.....	1
Societe Historique de Montreal, Montreal, Can.....	1
Surrey Archæological Society, London, Eng.....	1
Wurtemberg Stat. and Top. Bureau, Stuttgart.....	4

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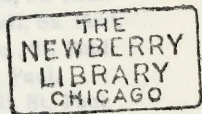
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REPORT.

In presenting our biennial report, with an account of our management of the important trust confided to us, for the two years that have elapsed since our last printed statement, the Minnesota Historical Society congratulates the people of our State that the institution is in a more flourishing and successful condition than at any previous time. The difficulties, and the hindrances of our environment, which, in the younger and feebler days of the society, materially retarded its success, seem to have disappeared through, as we flatter ourselves, our careful and prudent management, and we are now successfully and gratifyingly carrying out our objects and intentions, and rapidly making the society what its founders designed, an institution of real value and usefulness to the people of the State.

OBJECTS.

In mentioning our objects, it may be well to speak at some greater length of what those objects are, as this report may fall into the hands of many persons who have not had any opportunity to become acquainted with the duties imposed upon the society by the acts of incorporation.

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the Territory, and incorporated by an act of the first territorial legislature, approved Oct. 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the Territory; and its "library," then only a few volumes, was the first ever established in Minnesota. The original charter of the society stated its objects to be: "The collection and preservation of a library, mineralogical and geological specimens, Indian curiosities, and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate, the history and settlement of said Territory." The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said society, with the

enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science, and literature."

The work of this society may therefore be formulated thus:

I. (1) The collection, (2) the preservation, and (3) the publication of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

II. The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the most valuable departments of knowledge.

III. The diffusion among the citizens of the State of useful knowledge.

THE LIBRARY.

The library portion of our work has developed most gratifyingly. On Dec. 1, 1884, there were on our register, bound volumes, 11,067; unbound, 11,023; total, 22,090.

During 1885 there were added as follows: Bound volumes, 548; unbound volumes, 702; maps, 3; archaeological specimens, 1; manuscripts, 2; curiosities, 9; coins 1; currency, 13; pictures, 5; etc. The bound volumes were acquired as follows: By gift, 229; binding, 62; purchase 254; exchange, 3.

During 1886 (up to December 1st) there were acquired: Bound volumes, by purchase, 1,041; by gift or exchange, 590; by binding, 371; total accessions, 2,002 volumes. Of pamphlets, we received in 1886, 834, of which all were gifts except 90, which were purchased and bound afterwards. Of the 371 volumes bound, 281 were gifts, in the shape of unbound serials, newspapers, etc., contributed to our library, as stated elsewhere. During 1886 we also received 10 maps, 1 coin, 22 pictures, 18 archaeological or other curiosities, and 1 manuscript.

The library then contained, on Dec. 1, 1886, as follows: Bound volumes, 13,616; unbound 12,559; total, 26,175 volumes. All these are valuable and desirable works, and all carefully catalogued and accessible at a moment's call.

The rapid growth of the library during the past two or three years can not fail to have been a source of pride to the friends of the institution. In our past reports, at times when our growth seemed slow, it was remarked that there was a uniform law gov-

erning these things; that almost every institution had had the same experience; that the earlier years were those of slow growth, but, once well established, the rate of increase would itself increase, sometimes beyond the anticipations of its most sanguine friends. We have well proved, in our own experience, that this rule is a true one, and we may reasonably expect that our future increase will be still more rapid, than even the gratifying growth of the past two years. This, too, lays on us new responsibilities and duties, that of providing and managing a trust making such a progress.

GIFTS.

The proportion of our increment by gifts is one of the gratifying indications of the generosity and good will of our numerous and increasing friends. Never, at any time, has the stream of donations been more broad and rich. We are left with scarcely adequate words to properly acknowledge the bounty of our patrons. On the list of donors this year, Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, as usual, takes the lead, having contributed to our library twenty-seven bound and six hundred and twenty-eight unbound volumes. Generous gifts have also been received from Gen. Samuel E. Adams, of Minneapolis; Rev. Thomas A. Canfield, of Burlington, Vt.; Gen. J. Watts De Peyster, of New York; Hon. John D. Ludden, St. Paul; Hon. S. J. R. McMillan, St. Paul; Hon. W. D. Washburn, Minneapolis; Col. John P. Nicholson, Philadelphia; Rev. C. D. Bradlee, Boston; George A. Hamilton, St. Paul; Charles E. Mayo, J. B. Chaney, David Day and J. F. Williams, St. Paul. Mrs. G. W. De Renne, Savannah, Ga., whose generous gift of a rare work was noted in our last report, has again made us her grateful debtor by donating another privately printed volume of sumptuous workmanship, entitled "Journal of the Georgia Trustees, by John Percival, first Earl of Egmont; 4to, 1886," of which only forty-nine copies were printed. Robbins and Anna Battel also send us volume 1 of the diary of Rev. Thomas Robbins. And especial acknowledgement should be made of the gifts by the State Historical Society of Kansas, of thirty-two bound and ninety-nine unbound volumes relating to that State; as also from the Michigan State Library, of three hundred and twenty-one bound and one hundred and three unbound volumes, all relating to the latter State.

H. D. Harrower, of New York, also contributes fifty copies of his severe and searching criticism of Capt. Willard Glazier's claim to have discovered the real source of the Mississippi River. From our sister societies and institutions we have received an unceasing stream of gifts, in the shape of their proceedings and collections. In all, one hundred and forty-four persons and ninety-four institutions have contributed to our library and cabinet within the past two years. We have endeavored, as far as we were able, to reciprocate this kindness, but we fear, with good reason, that our kind friends have left us with a balance in their favor.

PURCHASES.

The purchases made during the past two years have been larger, and the works themselves of a more valuable and desirable quality, than at any previous time. During the year 1885 there was expended the sum of \$1,025.37 and during 1886 the further sum of \$3,012.21, making a total of \$4,037.58 for the two years. At no previous period has the library made such gratifying progress as in this time. A brief glance at the principal purchases below, will show the nature of the additions made:

In genealogy, one of the main specialties of the library, the increase has been most gratifying. We have added by purchase alone sixty-nine bound volumes and a number of pamphlets on this subject, all relating to American families, besides a number of collective works on the same subject. We have now 364 bound and 91 unbound books on this department, total 455, composing one of the best collections belonging to any American library, and illustrating the history of almost that number of American families. In British genealogy and family history and heraldry, we have also made large accessions. One of the principal purchases in this direction recently, has been a complete set of the publications of the Harleian Society of England, 22 volumes, together with several visitations of counties not published by that society. We have also secured a set of the *Genealogist*, a serial of great value in that line, 8 volumes. Our set of the *Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica* has also been completed, 7 volumes. And we have added Burke's Genealogy and Heraldic History of the Landed Gentry, 4 volumes, as well as Foster's Royal Lineage of Noble and Gentle Families of Great Britain and De Brett's Peerage and Titles of Honor, together with a kindred work, Burke's Visitation of Seats and Arms.

On general British history we have secured valuable additions. One of the principal is Dugdale's *Monasticon Anglicanum*, in nine volumes, folio, a superb set. Another is Lord Somer's Tracts, thirteen volumes, quarto, in fine condition. We have also become a member of the Pipe Rolls Society, London, of whose publications we have received, thus far, five volumes. Among other works in this class, are Ellis' *Domesday Book*, Cooper's *Memorials of Cambridge*, *Scottish Highlands*, *Clans*, etc., by Keltie; Brougham's *Sketches of Statesmen of the Reign of George III*; and Freeman's *Norman Conquest*, six volumes.

Among other notable accessions by purchase are a full set of the Royal Geographical Society's *Transactions*, fifty-eight volumes, whose value all book collectors will recognize. We have also added a full set of the transactions of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, fifty-three volumes, and those of the American Association, also, thirty-four volumes. We have secured, after long search, a fine copy of Morton's *Crania Americana*. Two other sets of recognized value are Motley's works, and the *Imperial Gazetteer of India*, nine volumes.

Among the principal works on general history, and especially European history, are Alzog's *Manual of Universal Church History*; D'Aubigne's *History of the Reformation*, eight volumes; Von Mosheim's *Institutes of Ecclesiastical History*; Andrew's *History of the War, 1775-1783*; Dyer's *History of Modern Europe*; Cox's *House of Austria*; Yonge's *France Under the Bourbons*; Thier's *French Revolution*; Trollope's *History of the Republic of Florence*; Sharon Turner's complete works, fifteen volumes; Hallam's complete works, ten volumes; Gurwood's *Edition of Wellington's Dispatches*, eight volumes; Long's *Decline of the Roman Republic*, five volumes; etc., etc.

Valuable accessions have likewise been made to the works on biography. We have secured the *Nouvelle Biographie Universelle*, forty-six volumes. Also Stephen's *Dictionary of Biography* (British), and a very large number of American memoirs, of which department we are making more of a specialty than previously, and already have a large number of the biographies of leading Americans. On general American history we have secured a great many very valuable works. Among the more noticeable are Von Holst's *Constitutional and Political History of the United States*, five volumes; Fletcher's *History of the American War*; Gale's and Seaton's *Debates in Congress*, twenty-nine volumes; Story's *Commentary on the Constitution*, three

volumes; Narrative and Critical History of America, three volumes (all yet issued). We have also Hubert Howe Baneroff's great work, History of the Pacific States, seventeen volumes, so far. A partial set of the New York Nation gives valuable views of American politics, thirty-two volumes; while a complete set of the Statutes of the Confederate Congress at Richmond, 1861-1865, is a reminder of an experiment that is certainly historical.

In works of reference, such as dictionaries, encyclopedias, etc., we are making steady progress. We have recently secured Littré's great dictionary of the French language, one of the most learned dictionaries of any tongue, in five large volumes. We have also the dictionaries of several other modern tongues, both European and Asiatic. We propose to continue our collection in this field until we have the dictionary and grammar of every spoken language, of which there is any, in the world. The value of such a collection to scholars will readily be perceived. We have perhaps fifty already.

There are several other departments which we have notably strengthened since our last report: On North American Indians; on Travels and Explorations in America; on the Revolutionary War; the War of 1812; the Mexican War; and especially our late great historic struggle. In the latter department we have made an especial endeavor to secure all the reports of all the adjutants general in the loyal states, from 1861 to 1866. In this we have had gratifying success, and our collection is now a very good one. It has been of the most gratifying value to many old soldiers of other states, now residing in Minnesota, who wished to secure pensions for service. We have also purchased a great many valuable works on the early history of the West and its settlement, and especially of the Pacific coast and the great region lying between this and there. Even on the subject of the "Mormons" we have quite a good gathering of books.

But it is upon the department of local American history that we have expended more care, perhaps, than on any other. Our acquisitions in this line have been most numerous and valuable. We will briefly enumerate a few of the most important:

Maine—Town histories of Belfast, Deer Isle, Farmington, Kennebunk Port, Machias, Paris, Portland, Saco and Biddeford, Waterford, Woodstock, etc.

New Hampshire—Boscawen, Coos County, Londonderry, Manchester, Mason, Peterborough, Washington, etc.

Vermont—Town histories of Bradford, Danby, Rochester, and of Whittingham County.

Massachusetts—Town histories of Amesbury and Salisbury, Andover Theological Seminary, Athol, Attleborough, Boston (Snow), Bradford, Braintree, Charlestown (Harvard Ch.), Brimfield, Chelmsford, Cheshire, Concord, Deerfield, Dorchester, Dudley, Easthampton, Fall River, Fitchburgh, Foxborough, Framingham, Great Barrington, Hingham, Kingston, Lancaster, Leominster, Lowell, Lynn, Medford, Medway, Natick, Old Naumkeag, Petersham, Plainfield, Plymouth, Roxbury, Springfield, Swampscott, Templeton (First Ch.), Watertown, Worcester, Yarmouth, Berkshire County (3 vols.), Worcester County, etc.

Rhode Island—Bristol.

Connecticut—Town histories of Barkhamstead, Cornwall, Durham, Greenwich, Hartford, Lebanon, Redding, and of Hartford County and Middlesex County.

New York—Colonial History of New York, Schuyler; Albany collections, four volumes. Town histories; Brooklyn, Coopers town, Minsink region, Newtown, New York City (Lamb), Staten Island, Warsaw; and of Allegheny, Colchester, Cortland, Delaware, Erie, Greene, Herkimer, Montgomery and Fulton, Niagara, Orleans, Queens, Rockland, Suffolk and Wyoming counties.

New Jersey—Burlington Church, Elizabethtown, Morris, Salem, etc.

Pennsylvania—Byberry and Moreland townships, Gwynedd, Luzerne, Lackawanna and Wyoming; Philadelphia, Schuylkill, Dauphin, Erie, Mifflin, Susquehanna, Tioga counties, etc.

Maryland—History of Maryland, by Bozeman; History of Maryland, by Scharf; History of Western Maryland, by Scharf; Old Kent, etc.

Virginia—Augusta County, vestry book of Henrico Parish.

West Virginia—Monongalia County, Preston and Tucker counties.

Ohio—Taylor's History of Ohio; Cuyahoga, Fairfield, Perry, Highland, Licking, Morrow, Richland, Seneca, Stark, Wadsworth, and Wayne counties, Western Reserve, etc.

Indiana—Biographical and historical sketches, by Woolen; histories of Benton, Jasper, Newton, Clay, Owen, Indianapolis, Marion, Jay, Madison, Vigo counties, etc.

Illinois—Andreas' History of Chicago; histories of Cass, De

Kalb, Cumberland, Jasper, Richland, Du Page, and Edgar counties.

Michigan—History of Detroit; legends of Detroit; histories of Jackson, Macomb, Andrain, Caldwell, and Livingston counties.

Missouri—Histories of Audrain, Caldwell, Livingston, Callaway, Cass, Bates, Clay, Platte, Henry, St. Clair, Howard, Chariton, Cooper, Monroe, Shelby, Nodaway, Randolph, Macon, St. Charles, Montgomery, Warren, and St. Louis counties.

Wisconsin—Historical Atlas of Wisconsin; history of Northern Wisconsin; history of Madison, and Dane County; Milwaukee, Ripon, Dodge, Green, Jefferson, and La Crosse counties.

Iowa—Histories of Appanoose, Black Hawk, Cedar, Delaware, and Jones counties.

Nebraska—History of Nebraska, history of Omaha.

Minnesota—Atlas of Minneapolis, atlas of St. Paul, atlas of Ramsey County.

The only pamphlets, excepting a few genealogies, which we have purchased, were a collection of proceedings, or minutes, of the Baptist associations of Minnesota, and all the northwestern states, and the Pacific states and territories. In this collection were no less than 1,200 pamphlets, many of them rare, all difficult to obtain, as any one who has ever tried to collect such waifs knows, and of most of the associations the sets were complete. The historical value of such a collection is very great, as perhaps most of the sets are unique, and whoever ultimately desires to write the history of that church, in the states mentioned, will have most probably to resort to this library to find the material.

Altogether, during the twenty years that our society has been possessed of means to purchase books, we have expended the sum of \$14,351.07. This amount has been laid out with the greatest care, and with a desire to secure the most possible for our outlay, and we flatter ourselves that we have secured in exchange for it, a valuable and useful library, one creditable to the State and its people.

MUSEUM.

Our collection of curiosities and relics, both historical and archæological, has received large and valuable accessions since the date of our last report. Especially so has been that department of it relating to our aborigines. Hon. Henry M. Rice, of

St. Paul, one of the oldest and most liberal contributors to this society, has made us a very desirable addition to our cabinet of Ojibway implements and weapons. The lot consists of a number of specimens almost unique in their kind. Among them is a tomahawk-pipe, of steel, a most beautiful specimen of workmanship, and which one can almost imagine to have cloven the heads of their Dakota enemies. A "sacred stone" of the Ojibways also leaves us in some doubt as to what the object could have been used for. It is evidently very ancient, and must have been looked upon by the red men with a kind of superstitious awe, judging from the difficulty of inducing them to part with it, and the value which they set upon it. There are also in the collection several implements and domestic tools of the squaws, which throw great light upon their customs and every-day life. Among them are a rush mat needle, a squaw axe, awls, chisels, snowshoe needles, fish hooks, spear heads, fire steels, etc., etc. And not by any means least in the interesting collection, is the veritable scalping knife of the famous old chieftain Buffalo, which was dug up at Onion River, where it had been buried many years. As one looks at this relic of the savage warfare, which was once so common in all this region, it almost seems that he can hear the demoniac yell of triumph with which the victor, in some bloody hand-to-hand conflict, would tear off the reeking scalp from the head of his fallen foe, and wave it aloft in an ecstasy of delight. This old knife, now rusty and decayed, has probably witnessed many such a scene.

Mr. Eber H. Bly, of Bismarck, D. T., also makes us an interesting gift having relation to our aboriginal races, which is also a personal reminiscence of the best known of our former Ojibway chieftains, Hole-in-the-Day, the younger. It consists of a silver drinking cup, a silver spoon and fork of the same material, all inclosed in a handsome leather case, which had been presented to the doughty chief by some friend or acquaintance at Washington, several years prior to his "taking off" by two assassins of his race in 1866, and had been used by him in his journeyings about the State. As a personal relic of one of the most daring and famous of the red races in Minnesota, it is both valuable and curious.

Mr. E. R. Johnson, formerly a journalist of St. Paul, who was a correspondent in the second Reil rebellion, contributes a carbine, captured from an Indian at the battle of Batoche in 1885, which has quite a history, being in fact the veritable

weapon with which a hostile Sioux warrior in the Minnesota massacre of 1862, murdered some of the unfortunate victims of that outbreak. The owner and user of the weapon at that time was "The-man-who-looks-in-the-cloud."

W. J. Abernethy, of Minneapolis, presents us with a neat scrap book, in which are mounted a number of specimens of Confederate scrip, several of which are of the rarest and most interesting varieties. Mr. D. N. Bryant, of Mendota, also presents us with thirteen fine specimens of the same currency. Our collection of this material is now quite fine and complete. G. O. Robertson, of St. Paul, contributes a curious manuscript, being a sheriff's writ of Culpepper County, Va., dated 1760, also a handbill of sale of lots in Nininger, Minn., in 1857. Hon. W. Muzzey, of Otter Tail County, Minn., sends us a bird's nest partly made of a newspaper. Mr. George A. Hamilton, of St. Paul, contributes a memorial of the late Vice President Schuyler Colfax, being the settee on which that statesman died so suddenly at the railroad depot in Mankato, Minn., Jan. 13, 1885. It is now placed in our assembly room and used for the ordinary purposes of a seat. Mr. George H. Hazzard, of St. Paul, gives us a badge of the city of St. Paul, worn by its officials at the Minneapolis Exposition of 1886. J. Fletcher Williams donates a piece of the granite of which the immense temple of the Mormons is being built at Salt Lake City, Utah. Wm. Greig, of Stoughton, Wis., gives a Danish coin of the date 1783. Mrs. E. F. Kenrick, of St. Paul, donates a large mirror which was imported from England over one hundred years ago by the Fletcher family, of New England, and was, in those times, when such pieces of furniture were very scarce and high priced in the colonies, a costly and rare thing. No doubt the beaux and belles of the colonial days used to look proudly at their gay costumes in this mirror, costumes that would excite unbounded ridicule if worn by any one now. Mr. Theodore H. Lewis, the enthusiastic and successful antiquarian of St. Paul, has deposited a pre-historic water jug, found by him in a mound in Arkansas—one of the specimens from his remarkable collection of archaeological curiosities, perhaps the largest and choicest in the Northwest. Mr. J. Bellaire, of Winona, gives us also an ancient pair of skates of curious form and workmanship.

Of pictures, photographs, etc., we have received quite a number. W. Frederick Styce, of St. Paul, contributes a framed picture of the Battle of Bunker Hill, engraved in 1802. Rev. S.

D. Hinman gives a photograph of J. W. Lynd, an early resident of this State. Hon. James V. R. Swann, of St. Petersburg, Russia, sends an album of lace designs, made by Russian and Finnish peasant women, and twelve lithographic views on the Amoor River. Martin N. Kellogg, St. Paul, gives us a photographic group picture of the Minnesota Old Settlers Association, and also of the State Pharmacutists Association. The proprietors of the *Pioneer Press* office, St. Paul, donate a framed group picture of the leading journalists of the United States. C. M. Akers, of Red Wing, gives a photograph, and A. M. Pratt of the same place, two lithographic views of that city.

Of maps, we have received quite a valuable addition to our former collection. L. C. Vantwood, of New York, gives one; Alfred J. Hill, of St. Paul, one, and Mr. James J. Hill, of the same, nine maps. Capt. J. B. McGrew, of Crookston, gives us a manuscript rebel order book, captured in Mississippi; while an old and valued patron of the society, Col. D. A. Robertson, now traveling in Europe, sends to us valuable files of Parisian and other French newspapers.

It is a matter of regret that our room for displaying our museum is so limited, and not well lighted. If we had a larger and better place for its display, we would undoubtedly receive, in a short time, many large and valuable accessions, that, situated as we are, will be deferred to a more propitious opportunity.

PUBLICATIONS.

At the date of our last report, the fifth volume of our collections, being Warren's History of the Ojibway Nation, was about completed and ready for delivery. It was soon after that date distributed to our members and correspondents, and was received with much favor as a very valuable contribution to the literature of the aboriginal nations. Some reviews have been made of the work, in periodicals of the best rank, and all have pronounced it an important addition to our fund of knowledge of the red races of America. The sale of the work, however, which we had been led to believe would be considerable, was not such as to realize those anticipations, but there were good reasons for this—our want of any means to bring the work to the attention of the public being perhaps the main one. But we have realized, nevertheless, many benefits from the publication

of the work. It has shown, among other things, that we are at work, and endeavoring to stand abreast of other American societies, in carrying out our objects, and in offering our contribution to the general fund of human knowledge. We have, therefore, been well repaid for all our trouble and outlay. We have a sufficient number of copies still in hand to answer for our exchanges, and other uses, for some time. The exchange department of our work is one constantly growing in importance, and must increase still more in the future, as our material for such exchanges increases.

Since the publication of Mr. Warren's work, the society has not issued any other publication. We had hoped to be able to do so, but the material for the same has not been furnished to us, as we had hoped it would be. We have had cordial promises, from members and others, to write papers for our collections, and we believe that they have been endeavoring to do so, but want of time, or some other reason, has so far prevented them from completing their contributions.

It is greatly to be hoped that our friends, who have the intention of writing papers for us, will do so with promptness. It is a very valuable and necessary department of our work, and merits some efforts to advance it, and to make it a credit to the society and its members. There are a number, we think, of our old citizens who can prepare articles for us of great value, and which we would gladly publish, if we could get them. Let us again urge them to a prompt effort. We should be glad to get, among other things, memoirs of our deceased pioneers and prominent men. There are many who could prepare these, and ought to do so, as a means of perpetuating the memory of the subjects themselves. And the incidents and occurrences of our early days, if not soon recorded by those who know the facts, will, we fear, perish from the knowledge of men entirely. Whatever is done, therefore, should be done promptly.

Under this head, it is proper to mention the receipt from Rev. J. A. Gilfillan, of White Earth, Minn., of a well-written and valuable treatise on the Ojibway proper names of places in Minnesota. Mr. Gilfillan, who is a thorough Ojibway scholar, has laid out a great deal of labor in the collection of these names, by interviewing old Indians, interpreters, and others who were familiar with the Indian tongue and with the geography of the State. It was our intention to have printed this valuable paper at the first opportunity, but as we were not quite ready to pub-

lish anything, it was concluded to let the state geological survey have the use of the manuscript, for a report which was about to appear, and thus give the matter to the public somewhat in advance of the date at which we could have issued it. Our thanks are hereby tendered to Rev. Mr. Gilfillan for his valuable contribution.

CATALOGUE.

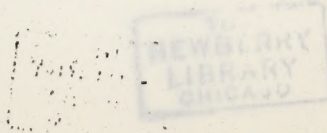
At the date of our last report, in 1885, our card catalogue was in progress, but not completed. Our cataloguer, Miss Mary B. Merriam, of Massachusetts, whom we had fortunately secured for that work, had, at its outset, agreed to remain with us for a period of at least two years, in which time it was thought we could complete the work. But at the expiration of her engagement, on July 1, 1885, there still remained a small portion of the books and pamphlets to complete. These were subsequently finished by Mr. Williams. All the new accessions which have come in since the final completion of the card writing, have also been catalogued in the same style. At the time Miss Merriam completed her labors, there were 32,776 cards written and placed in the drawers by her. Since that date Mr. Williams has written and distributed 6,457 cards, making a total of 38,596 cards in our present catalogue. We believe that no library in America has a better catalogue, for the time and the means spent on it. For this, we are largely indebted to Miss Merriam, to whose skill and faithfulness we take pleasure in bearing testimony.

The printing of the catalogue, when completed, had always been our intention. At the time, however, when we had reached the point when we could begin on that work, we found that the funds appropriated by the last legislature for state printing had become exhausted, and we were compelled to delay the inception of the printing until a new appropriation could become available. This has now been realized and the work, we are happy to say, is in the hands of the printer, and will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible. The large accessions of new books recently has prevented the copying of the cards for the printer as fast as we had hoped, but it is thought that the copy can be furnished, for some time, at least, as fast as the work can be carried on.

THE TREATY OF TRAVERSE DE SIOUX.

In our report of 1885 was given a pretty full account of the proposal, by Mr. Franc B. Mayer, an artist of Annapolis, Md., to paint for the State of Minnesota an historical painting of the Signing of the Treaty of Traverse de Sioux in 1851. Mr. Mayer was present at that historical event, and took full sketches of the council at the moment of signing the treaty, and had also provided himself with correct portraits of the principal dignitaries of the council, both white and red. Since that date he has been endeavoring to interest leading citizens of this State in a measure for his employment to paint, from his sketches, a large painting of the event. He proposes to make it, say, five by ten feet. Such a painting, from the great length of time required, would, he assures us, be reasonable at \$5,000, but under the circumstances he would contract to complete it for \$3,000.

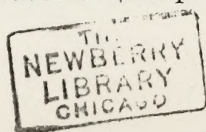
Mr. Mayer naturally looked to this society for aid and support in his measure, as this is the only institution in the State devoted wholly to the preservation of its history. For several years he had been petitioning us to use our influence with the legislature, for the purpose of securing an order from that body for his projected painting. Individual members of the same did endeavor to secure some consideration of Mr. Mayer's petition, but with no success. One obstacle which seemed to stand in the way, was that no one could give any idea as to what the proposed picture would represent. To obviate this Mr. Mayer prepared a rough sketch, or outline, of his design, and forwarded it to us. It was thoroughly studied and analyzed by a number of old and leading citizens of the State, who believed it to be a faithful and well-conceived representation of the actual scene, but there seemed so little probability that the legislature would feel the desirability of securing such a picture, it was at length resolved to make no effort to secure it. Mr. Mayer naturally felt much discouraged at this outcome, and perhaps thinking that the possession, by the State, of his preliminary sketch would be better than nothing, offered to sell to this society the picture aforesaid, at a very small price. This offer was accepted, and the picture, with the "copyright" to the design, is now the property of this society. At any future time, when the State wishes, a painting can be made from it.



NEWSPAPERS.

Our collection of newspapers, particularly those of our own State, which has always been a specialty of our work, has increased with unusual rapidity the past two years. We have added, in all, two hundred and eighty-one bound volumes of papers since our last report. We have now on our shelves something like 1,200 bound volumes of these journals, perhaps nine-tenths of them relating to our own State. Of very many of these files we have the only copies in existence. As we have remarked in previous reports, there are but very few, except those who have had some occasion to verify the fact, who know how valuable these files of old papers are for many purposes. They are referred to by many persons daily, for every imaginable kind of information, and their use far exceeds any other department of our library, unless it may be our series of patent reports. In our last report we referred to the fact that there were still some newspapers in our State which we did not receive for the purpose of preserving, and proposed that some means be taken to secure *every* paper in Minnesota, on account of their value for historical purposes. No steps have been taken to do so, however, and it seems a pity that the importance of the subject does not meet with more recognition. As it is now, the only journals which we receive are given to us voluntarily, by their publishers, out of a professional pride for the preservation of their work. Yet there are a great many publishers, and of important papers, too, who are not willing to contribute their issues to our library. We ought to have them all. There is not an issue of a journal in Minnesota which, some time in the future, may not be of great importance to some one, for the furnishing of evidence in some legal matter, or, it may be, in some issue involving even his liberty.

The binding of so many newspapers is quite an item alone. During the past two years we have had two hundred and eighty-one volumes bound, at a cost of about five hundred and sixty dollars. Our annual outlay for this purpose, even with the same number of papers as we have now, will not be much less than three hundred dollars. This, added to the other binding which we have necessarily to have executed, forms quite an important feature in our annual outgo. This year (1886) our binding account shows \$555.65 expended. It should be noted, however, that where we can do so, we have avoided an expenditure of this



kind. For instance, in pamphlets, of which we have such a large number. In all cases where it is possible, these are left unbound and assorted in cases. We have now in use seven hundred of these cases, containing an average of about sixteen pamphlets per case.

ROOMS, BUILDING, ETC.

The remarks made in the preceding report will serve as well in the present one. There is nothing to add, perhaps, except that the want of an outside entrance to the rooms has been supplied, and has been found to be a great convenience to the public. Our rooms have hitherto been found commodious enough, but the placing of several new book cases seems to give them the appearance of being a little crowded. Still, by careful management, we may find room for several cases still, before entirely exhausting all available space. At the rate at which our library is now increasing, though, the time is not far distant when it is going to become a very serious question—what to do with the new accessions? The subject of a new building is not forgotten, although not regarded as pressing. On the contrary, there are those who feel a lively interest in it, and would take decisive steps at once, if not counterpoised by a very conservative feeling on the part of the others, who feel that any premature movement by the society would be very injudicious, and might do more harm than good. It is, therefore, not possible to give, at present, any definite data, or intelligence, on this subject, except that we are still hoping that circumstances may place within our reach, ere long, the means of securely housing our valuable library and other collections in a commodious and well-arranged fire-proof building.

FINANCES.

The following is a statement of the expenditures of the society, out of its state appropriation, during the years 1885 and 1886, the first year being thirteen months and the latter eleven:

	1885.	1886.
Purchase of books.....	\$1,025 37	\$3,012 21
Binding of books.....	171 30	555 65
Express and freight.....	82 15	163 43
Postage.....	43 74	14 50
Printing and stationery.....	30 00	.....
Furniture and repairs.....	208 46	517 24
Miscellaneous.....	3 50	31 88
Service.....	1,625 00	1,375 00
Cataloguing.....	81 10	.....
Publication of Vol. 5.....	1,299 01	.....
Totals.....	\$4,498 53	\$5,870 91

The vouchers for the above expenditures are on file in the office of the state auditor, and are also printed in detail in his annual reports.

Under this head it might be well to refer to the property now actually owned by the society. We value our library, maps, pictures, curiosities, and other accumulations of this kind at \$50,000, and our real estate is thought to be worth as much more. All this, it should be noted, is the property of the State, and is only held in trust by us.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding this report, we do so with a satisfaction that we have discharged our trust well, and that the institution which we are in charge of, is fulfilling its mission, and has demonstrated its *raison d'être*, as well as its capacity, to live. And we are not unsupported in this view, in fact, by others who are disinterested and who are capable of judging. During the recent visit to this city of the members of the American Librarians Association, composed of most of the leading and more experienced librarians of the country, a number of them paid a visit to our rooms and made a critical and thorough examination of our library. They all expressed themselves as much surprised at

the size, value and completeness of our library, and candidly stated that they had little expected to find, in a Western city like St. Paul, such a fine and valuable library. Such views are certainly encouraging to us, assuring us, as they do, that the labor and means that have been expended on this institution have not been unwisely applied. Realizing, as we do, that it is an important work that we are engaged in, and one that merits our whole energy and most faithful efforts, we can only resolve to give ourselves to renewed and still more earnest performance of the duties devolving on us, grateful for the confidence and good will hitherto shown us, and for the success already gained.

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APPENDIX "A."

LIST OF DONORS, 1885-86.

I. FROM INDIVIDUALS.

	Bound Books.	Pamph- lets, etc.
Adams, Gen. Samuel E., Minneapolis, Minn.....	3	42
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Ayres, Hon. Ebenezer, estate of, Cottage Grove, Minn.....		108
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Bauman, Prof., St. Peter, Minn.....		1
Beeby, Rev. W. H., Granite Falls, Minn.....		1
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Boardman, James, Manchester, Eng.....	1	
Bradlee, Rev. Caleb D., Boston.....		6
Bridge, Samuel J., Boston.....	1	
Brymner, Douglas, Ottawa, Can.....		4
Buck, J. S., Milwaukee.....	1	1
Burgess, A. M., Ottawa, Can.....		2
Canfield, Rev. Thos. H., Burlington, Vt.....		28
Cannon, Hon. H. W., Washington, D. C.....	1	
Carulla, F. J. R., Swansea, Eng.....		1
Chaney, J. B., St. Paul.....		12
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Cudmore, Patrick, Faribault, Minn.....		1
Dana, Rev. M. McG., St. Paul, Minn.....		2
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Davis, Hon. C. K., St. Paul, Minn.....		1
Davis, Geo. L., Andover, Mass.....	1	

Day, David, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	19
Dean, John Ward, Boston, Mass.....		1
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Dobbin, Rev. J., Faribault, Minn.....		6
Drake, E. F., St. Paul, Minn.....		1
Eaton, Amasa, Providence, R. I.....		1
Edelbrock, Rt. Rev. Alexius, Collegeville, Minn.....		1
Estill, J. H., Savannah, Ga.....		1
Fernhow, B. H., Washington.....		1
Flandrau, C. E., St. Paul, Minn.....	1	
Folwell, Prof. W. W., Minneapolis, Minn.....	3	9
Forbes, Rev. Robert, St. Paul, Minn.....		1
Francis, George, Chicago, Ill.....		1
Gear, Everett S., St. Paul, Minn.....	1	
Gibbs, Oliver, Lake City, Minn.....		1
Gilman, John M., St. Paul, Minn.....	2	
Green, Dr. Samuel A., Boston.....	29	628
Griffin, Martin I. J., Philadelphia, Pa.....		5
Guthrie, S. L., Buffalo, N. Y.....		1
Hamilton, Geo. A., St. Paul, Minn.....	5	13
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Haupt, Herman, Jr., St. Paul, Minn.....		50
Hayden, Horace E., Washington, D. C.....		2
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Heath, Capt. W. McK., Philadelphia, Pa.....		3
Hill, Alfred J., St. Paul, Minn.....		5
Hill, James J., St. Paul, Minn.....	3	1
Herbert, B. B., Red Wing, Minn.....		2
Hovey, Rev. A. C., Minneapolis, Minn.....		3
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Johnson, Charles F., Duluth, Minn.....	2	3
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Kelley, W. H., St. Paul, Minn.....		1
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Kimball, John, Concord, N. H.....	1	
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Larsen, Edward, Benson, Minn.....		1
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Thayer, Rev. Charles, Jordan, Minn.....		3
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Upham, Henry P., St. Paul, Minn.....	2	
Usher, James, New York, N. Y.....		1

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White, Hon. Milo, Chatfield, Minn.....		1
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Winchell, Prof. N. H., Minneapolis, Minn.....		1
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Buffalo Historical Society.....		3
Canadian Institute.....		2
Chautauqua Society, Hist. and Nat. Science, Jamestown, N. Y..		1
Chicago Historical Society.....		5
Chicago Public Library.....		1
Cobden Club, England.....		1
Davenport Academy of Natural Sciences.....		2
Delaware Historical Society.....		1
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Old Residents Historical Association, Lowell, Mass.....		4
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Surrey Archaeological Society, England.....		1
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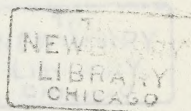
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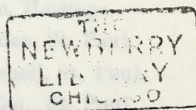
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REPORT.

In presenting its biennial report, at the close of thirty-nine years of existence, the Minnesota Historical Society may well be pardoned for doing so with a consciousness that it has properly fulfilled the trust reposed in it, and the obligation laid on it, by the people of the state, as a public institution, owned by, and operated for the benefit of, that people. In support of which assertion, we point to our present successful and satisfactory condition, the result, as we believe, of good management and of faithful devotion to our objects, and of an earnest desire to discharge the trust reposed in us, in the best manner possible. In this view, the continued prosperity of the society, its enlarged usefulness, its gratifying growth, and its extended patronage, all give us good grounds to believe that we may report it in a highly successful condition, and making rapid progress toward the time when we will have more ample income, a better location, and other desirable means of more perfectly fulfilling our objects.

OBJECTS.

As this report may fall into the hands of some who are not familiar with the objects of the society, it may be well to explain them at the outset of this report.

The Society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the territory, and incorporated by an act of the first territorial legislature, approved Oct. 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the territory; and its "library" then only a few volumes, was the first ever established in Minnesota. The original charter of the society stated its objects to be: "The collection and preservation of a library, mineralogical and geological specimens, Indian curiosities, and other matters and

things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate, the history and settlement of said territory." The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science and literature."

The work of this society may therefore be formulated thus:

I. (1) The collection, (2) the preservation, and (3) the publication of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

II. The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the most valuable departments of knowledge.

III. The diffusion, among the citizens of the state, of useful knowledge.

We will now proceed to take up these departments of our work seriatim, and show the manner in which we have carried on each one.

LIBRARY INCREASE AND LIBRARY WORK.

Firstly, we give, somewhat in detail, a statement of our library increase, the past two years, and of our library work, and of its present condition.

On Dec. 1, 1886 (when our last printed biennial report closed), there were, upon our register, 13,616 bound, and 12,559 unbound volumes; total, 26,175.

During 1887 there were added, bound volumes, 1,071; pamphlets, 582; maps, 8; curiosities (archæological), etc., 14, currency and coins, 20; photos and pictures, 21; MSS., 7, etc.

During 1888, there were added, bound volumes, 1,419; pamphlets, 708; maps, 5; curiosities, 10; coins and currency, 32; oil paintings, 7; other pictures, 29.

Total additions to our library since the date of our last printed biennial report, bound volumes, 2,490; unbound, 1,290; total, 3,780.

The total number of volumes on our shelves Dec. 1, 1888, was, bound, 16,106; unbound, 13,849. Total, in library, 29,955 volumes.

Of the bound volumes added, 1,671 were secured (bound) by purchase; 582 by gift or exchange; 179 by gift, unbound, and bound by us (mostly newspapers); and 125 purchased unbound and bound by us. Of the pamphlets added, 378 were purchased, already bound, in 20 volumes. Of bound pamphlets we have now 166 volumes, containing 2,889 titles.

The cataloguing of all new accessions to the library, since the date of our last biennial report, has been steadily pursued, and forms one of the most important and exacting portions of the librarian's work. At the date of the said report, there were 36,596 cards in our catalogue, and since that time 6,096 have been written and placed by the librarian, making a present total of 44,692. The time is rapidly approaching when the entire services of one person will be required on this work alone, in order to keep it up correctly and promptly.

But this is merely one of the different departments of our library work which have all been increasing rapidly within a few months past. The receiving by mail, arranging, and assorting for the binder, of our large list of newspapers and serials, over 200 in number, keeping them complete by sending for any missing numbers, and carefully collating the volumes returned by the binder to see if they have been correctly placed, forms another important and laborious branch of our work. The large and annually increasing purchases of books, subscriptions to serials, etc., has also greatly extended the details of work in that line. To get a volume on our shelves it must pass through a series of operations. Catalogues of books offered by dealers, which we receive in large numbers, are to be examined and desirable purchases determined on and noted, after carefully examining our catalogue to avoid ordering any which we already have. The works are then ordered, and when received, are to be duly compared with the invoice, examined to see if they are complete and in good condition, labelled, registered, stamped, catalogued, "shelf-marked," a duplicate slip prepared, and the book is then placed in its proper alcove on our shelves. All these little details, although trivial in themselves, really, are a necessary part of the process, and requires just so much time in each instance and can not be hurried or rushed if exactness is kept in view.

Another very exacting department of our work, is the attendance on the wants of the patrons and users of the library, which has largely increased in the past year or two. The demands of

the public in this line, are very varied, and in some instances, very curious. Our library is patronized for information on every imaginable subject that ever entered into the human mind. A considerable portion of these searches after facts are quite readily satisfied, by works which are usually to be found in every fairly organized library. But a fair percentage of them is only solved by much trouble and outlay of time on the part of our librarians, very often, it seems to them, vastly out of proportion to the importance or value of the subject to which the inquiry relates, but which is usually deemed one of great moment by the person seeking light. Sometimes hours have been given up to aiding persons in fruitless searches for supposed facts or data. But while this is one of the not very encouraging features of the profession, there are bright sides to the picture, in the joy and gratitude of persons who have been enabled to find, through our aid, information of the very greatest importance and value to them, which they could never have found elsewhere, and their warm praise at the completeness and value of our collection on various subjects, and of the manner in which it is administered, has well compensated us for our efforts to serve them. Usually the librarian can tell the visitors better, from his experience, what they want, than they can express themselves. Many come to consult our library with quite a crude and immature idea of what they really need. Through his familiarity with books, literature, bibliography, etc., the librarian is usually enabled to give useful hints and aid to investigators. And this is always cordially done. During the past season, our librarian visited a large and valuable library in an eastern city, occupying a grand building, and having a princely endowment. Addressing himself to a male attendant in charge, he asked the latter several questions about the institution, but was answered so curtly and contemptuously by the official, who hardly deigned to raise his eyes from a book he was reading, that the visitor withdrew, chilled and disgusted, wondering why the library was kept open at all, if such a disdainful reception was given to the public. We are gratified to say that a far different policy prevails in this library. Any visitor is always treated courteously, and an effort is made to have him or her become interested in its objects and welfare, by explaining its purposes, and showing what it has succeeded in accomplishing. The most patient and willing assistance is always given to persons seeking information in our library, irrespective of age, sex, nativity, religion or condition in life. No

library in the United States, could be more absolutely "free" or "public" than this one.

The rapid increase of our library work, the past few months, led our executive council to increase the working force of the library by the appointment of an assistant librarian, in order to have the work promptly and efficiently carried on, in such a way as to meet all the demands on us. The choice fell on Mr. Josiah B. Chaney, one of our oldest and most faithful members, a gentleman admirably fitted for the position, by his antiquarian tastes, methodical habits, and devotion to the objects of the society.

It is more important that the *personnel* of the library's staff should be fully imbued with a sense of the importance of the work entrusted to them, than almost anything else connected with the operations of the society. No mere perfunctory incumbency, for the simple motive of so much pecuniary emoluments, would answer. Without a love for the profession, and a hobby, so to speak, of "collecting," but little would be realized. No amount of cataloguing and classification will ever fully avail their purpose without a good librarian, who *knows books*, and has his library at his finger ends. Mere mechanical labor and routine will only half avail. In every sense, the ideal librarian of the present day ought to be able to say, "*La bibliotheque, c'est moi.*" He aims to organize his library as a general would his army, so that its resources can be massed upon any given point with precision and certainty. Geo. F. Hoar, president of the American Antiquarian Society, said recently: "A public library, now-a-days, is one-half books and one-half librarian."

THE VALUE OF HISTORY AS A STUDY.

The study of history has, within a very few years, assumed, in America, an importance and prominence hitherto unknown. Its great value as a department of human knowledge, has become generally known and recognized, especially in our prominent universities. History has been justly called, by some writers, "Philosophy teaching by example," or as teachers would say, "by object lessons." A writer in the *Encyclopædia Britannica* says: "History, in the most correct use of the word, means the prose narrations of past events, as probably true as the fallibility of human testimony will allow." Others have defined it as simply the record of human experience, whether in physics,

politics, economics, ethics, or education. In one of the library apartments of Johns-Hopkins University, is conspicuously displayed a placard bearing this legend: "HISTORY IS PAST POLITICS, AND POLITICS PRESENT HISTORY." Certainly, those who have made a careful study of our national career, will admit the appositeness of this statement. It can thus be readily seen, why the teachings of history are among the most valuable results of human study.

For many years, in our American colleges, the study of history, particularly of the history of our own nation, occupied a minor position in the curriculum of studies. The usual mode of teaching history (if such a plan could be called "teaching"), was to compel the students to learn by rote, whole pages of the dry and voluminous text-books of Putz, Arnold, Taylor, Adams, Tyler, Veightley, or others, and perhaps to recite them verbatim, or nearly so. No worse method was ever conceived. It was mere memorizing. Such study required no research, and naturally excited no interest in the student, for the subject in hand. But a revolt was made against this system of learning "by heart" mere "words, words," by some of the brightest and ablest scholars in America, and thus a new and far superior system of instruction in history has come in vogue. It has truly been a *renaissance*, and proved the dawn of a new era in our universities and libraries.

Instead of the old way of learning treatises on history by rote, special subjects for research are given out by the instructors, and the students are required to make investigations and collect facts from original materials, such as are to be gathered in libraries, and to prepare theses on the topics assigned. The influence of this new mode of studying history, was a remarkable awakening of interest in that science, and a new value was at once given to collections of historical works and archives, in our public libraries. It has also resulted in a new light being thrown on a hundred topics by this increased research. Subjects never before studied, or but little valued, at least, have been exposed to the keenest investigation. Everywhere the study of history, in its broadest sense, has been advanced as an important branch of university instruction. While the study of economics and political science, and of sociology, almost unknown before in colleges, has advanced to a front rank in some of our leading institutions, and new methods of instruction have been evolved, and even special courses established, to meet the awakened demand.

THE INCREASED USEFULNESS AND ACTIVITY OF LIBRARIES.

One of the most notable and gratifying effects of this revival, has been to enhance the value and usefulness of the libraries of our country. Naturally, all the American libraries have been laid under contribution as never before, by an enlarged class of keen, searching, investigating students and scholars, eager and hungry for facts. Another gratifying result has been in the raising up of a small army of trained thinkers and investigators, men of keen intellects and practiced habits of research, who will let no fact of value escape, who work methodically and systematically, and who, by the thorough and superior work which they do, will in the years to come, produce valuable and enduring contributions to literature and science, that will give American scholarship a lustre brighter than it has yet attained. In days past, it was, and with truth, too, the reproach of our American libraries, that they were sadly deficient in the very material that students and scholars needed most, regarding our own country, and that investigators were compelled to go to Europe to find the authorities that they needed. But the managers of American libraries can very truthfully say, like the doctor of Alcantara, "*nous avons change tout cela.*" The collections of the new world have grown wonderfully within a few years. Still, great libraries, like oak trees, can not grow in a day, even when fostered by ample revenues. We are all young, in America, yet, and maturity and strength comes only by time. But there are quite a number of libraries now in American that are very complete, especially in *Americana*, and all are advancing rapidly. There are great possibilities in the future for institutions with endowments such as the Lenox, the Rush, the Johns-Hopkins, the Newberry, the Stanford, and other similar libraries. It is evident that a new era for all American libraries has commenced. It may be that in the future, some of them may be compelled to devote themselves to specialties, or divide up their work into departments. Historical libraries must, in view of the recent impetus given to the study of history as a profession, always be ranked as among the most valuable. The collection of material, too, for a library of this kind, is more difficult, because it embraces such a great range of diversified matter. There is but little, of any kind, that would not appropriately find place in a library of American history. A brief enumeration of but a few of the principal classes, would surprise any one whose attention

had not been called especially to the great extent and profusion of material. Prominent among them may be mentioned: Archives of the nation and the separate states, government and official publications, which now amount to an enormous mass in the aggregate, including papers and records, legislative debates and journals, session laws, court reports, reports of bureaus, officials, special commissions, state institutions; general and special collections of treaties and diplomatic papers; statistical and other economic publications; census reports; manuals, year books and blue books; state, county, or local histories; literature of slavery and its rebellion; published collections of historical and genealogical societies; biographies, personal reminiscences, and memoirs; travels, geographical and descriptive works; magazines, serials and newspapers; and lastly and generally, the countless flood of pamphlets of every sort, proceedings of bodies, catalogues and reports, political brochures, theological projectiles, treatises, essays, addresses, etc., on every imaginable theme and every possible issue.

THE STUDY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE.

One aspect of the renaissance referred to above, we must not overlook, and that is, the growing value and importance of historical studies in their connection with economics and political science, and even of sociology, as concerns our future national life and prosperity. The thorough understanding of these questions is necessary to good citizenship, and good citizenship is necessary to a good government. "History," says Prof. Adams, "ought to be yoked with political science rather than with language, literature and philosophy." Their nature determines their intimate relation. "History is past politics and politics is present history." History is primarily the experience of man in organized societies, or so-called states. Politics is the application of this historical experience to the existing problems of an ever progressive society. History and politics are as inseparable as past and present.

In America, perhaps more than in any other country, the study of history, and of political science, should be encouraged. The very nature of our system of government renders this a prime necessity. Every citizen helps to make the laws, shape the policy of the nation, to govern it, and may, himself, become a ruler or fill responsible positions in public life. The study of

government, of society, of sociology, then, becomes an indispensable need for every citizen. And how can we apply the experience of European nations, from the days of Grecian and Roman experiments in building up a nation, down to the latest attempt at self-government, without studying their history as preserved in their archives and records, for the preservation of which our libraries have done so much, aided, of course, by the printing press. Students of history must have the means at hand to study the best principles that will alone reform and elevate society, and aid our nation in securing and retaining prominence among all the people of the globe—for nothing less than that will satisfy any patriotic American. It is to the libraries of the country that they must look for the facilities to do this.

THE RELATION BETWEEN UNIVERSITIES AND LIBRARIES.

Of course, this quickening of literary activity, this increase in the patrons of libraries, especially of the libraries of historical societies, increases the work and responsibility laid on them proportionally, and charges them with additional burdens and expenses. There are but few of them which have the resources to meet and satisfy this demand. The library now becomes not a mere storehouse of books, a mausoleum of unused lore, but a place for work, an active laboratory to distil new truth. Books must henceforth exist, not so much to be read, as to be studied, compared, digested, made to melt in the crucible of investigation and analysis. Over the great door of the reading room of the Bibliotheque Nationale, Paris, are the words "*Salle de Travail*," i.e. "Work Room," which every library reading room should be.

In future, the university and the library must have a more intimate *rapprochement*. They must stand close together and work more in harmony, as they have a parallel mission. Their field is identical—to instruct. The great philosopher Carlyle said: "The best modern university is a library of books." And Ezra Cornell, a name that must always be mentioned with pride by Americans, used that now famous expression, "I will found an institution where any person can find instruction in any study." This could as well apply to a library as to a university. "The library is the best university, for it represents the sum and substance of all wisdom since the foundation of the world. To the library, all teachers and all students must continually resort as to the fountain head of knowledge and inspiration."

OUR OWN SHARE IN THE WORK.

We have not failed to share, in our own library, the results of this awakening to the importance of the study of history in our neighboring institutions of learning, and of the intensified pursuit for material in consequence thereof. We are in the immediate vicinity of four important institutions of learning, viz., the state university, Hamline university, Macalester college, and the St. Paul high school. Our library has always been more or less used by the students and professors of these colleges, and more so the past year or two than ever before. Each of these institutions have good libraries, but they are by no means so complete in some departments, say American history, for example, as ours, nor, indeed, could it be reasonably expected that they should be. Thus it has frequently happened that classes in history from these institutions, under the direction of their instructors in that branch, have availed themselves of our fine store of authorities, to make studies on certain epochs of national history. This has often taxed to the fullest our reading room facilities, and all our available force of attendants, in finding and bringing works needed. It has been a gratifying fact for us, that our resources in the field of American history, have so well honored these unusual drafts on them. And it impresses us with the importance of using still further efforts to complete and perfect our department of Americana, and of keeping pace with the growing demands that the presence of these four institutions, all rapidly developing, to say nothing of other similar institutions projected in our midst, will make on us in the years to come. One want that this increased *clientele* of patrons makes us more than ever painfully aware of, is the need of proper apartments to accommodate the students who will be compelled to flock to our rooms in search of the material and authorities in their studies. Our reading table space is becoming painfully limited, and the light, always imperfect in our apartments, has been contracted still more by the growth of our library and the putting up of a number of additional book-cases. If our list of patrons is to increase much, and it inevitably must do so, it becomes a very serious question how we will be able to give them proper accommodations for study, in our present rooms.

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY.

We have again to acknowledge the very generous actions of our large and constantly increasing list of contributors, in presenting our library with valuable, and in some cases very rare, books. The past biennial period has been more than ordinarily prolific in such gifts, but we can only now enumerate some of the principal:

Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, as in previous years, heads the list of donors, with 59 bound, and 294 unbound volumes. Wm. B. Trask, of Boston, has also donated 11 bound and 141 unbound volumes, many of them very rare. Hon. A. R. McGill, governor of Minnesota, has sent to us 51 bound and 107 unbound volumes. Hon. Samuel E. Adams, of Minneapolis, contributes 9 bound and 86 unbound volumes. Hon. Charles D. Gilfillan, of St. Paul, is the donor of a very interesting and valuable work, entitled "*Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*," a geographical treatise by Ortelius, in 3 volumes, folio. This rare work was printed in Amsterdam, in 1645, and contains maps and a description of every known country on the globe at that date. The maps, which are all double-page, are beautifully engraved on copper, and carefully colored by hand, the colors seeming as fresh as if just laid on. The volumes are 16x21 inches in size, and 3 inches thick. They are bound in ass's skin. Mr. Gilfillan purchased these valuable works at Dresden, expressly for this society, and they constitute a desirable and much prized gift. Dr. David Day, of St. Paul, 1 bound volume and 115 pamphlets. H. R. W. Hall, of St. Paul, 10 bound volumes. Hon. Samuel J. R. McMillan, ex-senator, 13 bound volumes. Hon. J. B. Wakefield, Blue Earth City, 35 bound. James Shields, of Faribault, 15 bound and 11 unbound volumes. H. V. Poor, New York, 9 bound volumes. G. A. Hamilton, St. Paul, 8 bound and 12 unbound volumes. Prof. N. H. Winchell, of the state university, 7 bound and 6 unbound volumes. And pamphlets from the following persons: Rev. C. D. Bradlee, of Boston, 27; John D. Ludden, St. Paul, 146; T. F. Nelson, Chicago, 44; J. B. Chaney, St. Paul, 23; C. N. Bell, Winnipeg, 10; Rev. J. W. Strong, D.D., Northfield, 10; Hon. Alex. Ramsey, 8; J. F. Williams, 19; Theo. H. Lewis, 6, etc., etc.

From sister societies, institutions, and corporations, we have also received a more than usually liberal stream of exchanges

and gifts. The department of the interior continues its issue of congressional publications to us, 140 bound volumes in all. The Kansas state historical society has sent us 19 bound and 10 unbound volumes of public documents of that state, for 1887-88; and the Michigan state library also contributes 23 volumes of the recent documents of that state. The Pennsylvania state library also lays us under obligations for 27 bound volumes of the valuable and well prepared reports of the several bureaus and institutions of the "old Keystone State." The St. Louis public school library sends us 6 bound and 20 unbound volumes; Amherst college 4 bound volumes and 66 pamphlets, an almost complete history of that institution. The Massachusetts historical society contributes 7 bound volumes; the Wisconsin historical society 6 bound and 3 unbound; the university of California 9 pamphlets; the Boston public record commissioners, 3 bound volumes; the Boston public library 17 pamphlets, etc., etc.

Maps have also been received from Pearce Giles, Syracuse, N. Y.; from the Chicago historical society; from Geo. H. Hazzard, St. Paul; Leonidas Merritt and W. W. Howard, of Duluth; R. Blanchard, Chicago, etc.

A complete list of all donors will be found in an appendix to this report.

We can not too warmly express our thanks for these generous manifestations of interest in our society, and will endeavor, to the utmost of our ability, to return in kind the favors done us. Through the liberality and thoughtfulness of our friends, our collection is being annually enriched by an influx of valuable and rare books, pamphlets, maps, pictures, manuscripts, curiosities, etc., which is rapidly making it one of the largest and most valuable libraries in the western country.

MUSEUM.

Our museum has also received some interesting gifts, although no very special effort has been made by us to increase this department of our collections, owing to the limited room that we are now able to afford it, and the poor light which recent alterations in the building have left for it. Among the more notable gifts received in this department are, a section of the Atlantic telegraph cable, from Hon. L. F. Hubbard, of Red Wing; a genuine "John Brown pike," the gift of Hon. J. F. Shoemaker, of Luverne; a large and very perfect specimen of birch bark canoe,

made by the Ojibwas of Northern Minnesota, from Gen. W. G. Le Duc and Charles Espenschied, of Hastings; a cannon ball, dug up on the supposed site of the old French fort, at Frontenac Station, Wabasha county, Minn., from Gen. Israel Garrard, Frontenac, and undoubtedly a genuine relic of the French occupation of the Upper Mississippi region; from James S. Hughes, St. Paul, a very perfect specimen of flint arrow head, St. Croix valley; from Capt. Ed. S. Bean, of St. Paul, an old and curious specimen of a Moorish gun, made at Fez, Morocco, in the year 1256, Mahometan Era, and was once owned by the celebrated Ben Ab-del-kader. Its workmanship is curious and rich, and it has a barrel $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet long. Darwin Patterson, of Rochester, Minn., contributes a naturally intergrown limb of an iron-wood tree, the second specimen of this freak of nature, now in our museum; Cyrus R. Stone, civil engineer, donates a very perfectly shaped and large stone axe, found by him on Milk river, Montana, and also a tracing of a large rock supposed by the Indians to be supernatural on account of its resemblance in shape to a buffalo. Mr. Theodore Borup, of St. Paul, is the donor of an iron arrowhead, which was found imbedded in the jaw bone of a soldier whose skeleton was found on the battle-field of the Custer massacre in Montana. Hon. John F. Meagher, of Mankato, contributes a watch chain made of the hair of Chaskadon, one of the 38 Indians who were executed for murder at Mankato, in 1862; and Mrs. J. L. Hinkley, of the same city, formerly Mrs. Henry Jackson, of St. Paul, gives us two interesting relics of the early history of St. Paul, one, an original manuscript election returns, dated Feb. 14, 1849; and the other the veritable commission of the first postmaster of St. Paul, Henry Jackson, when that little village, as it was then, was first placed on the map of the country, by the creation of a postoffice. This interesting document is dated April 7, 1846, and signed by Hon. Cave Johnson, postmaster general.

Some interesting specimens of currency and coins have also been contributed, as follows: By Dr. David Day, of St. Paul, a \$5 bank note of the "Dayton Bank," St. Paul, 1854, one of the banking experiments of those wildcat days; by Mr. Andrew Allstrom, of Hastings, an United States half dollar, date 1806; from Hon. F. M. Crosby, Hastings, a United States quarter dollar of 1839, and other coins; from Crawford Livingston, St. Paul, 16 specimens St. Paul fractional currency; from Gen. H. H. Sibley, two specimens same; and from Benj. F. Irvine, St. Paul,

seven specimens United States fractional currency of the period 1861 and '63. Edward Sawyer, of St. Paul, donates an officer's commission, issued to a Confederate officer in a South Carolina regiment, by Gov. Pickens, of that state, in 1861; and also 12 autograph letters of Cass, Webster and other distinguished Americans of that period.

GALLERY OF PICTURES.

The accessions to our collection of pictures has been much larger, since our last report, than during any previous similar period. In all, seven oil paintings have been received, which makes quite a good beginning for a gallery of paintings, which has always been one of our objective points. From Mr. James J. Hill we have received a large and handsomely executed painting of the old "Chapel of St. Paul," which, erected in 1841, gave the name to our capital city. This painting, which, as a work of art, is considered valuable, was from the brush of Alex. Fournier, a young and talented artist residing in this state. Mr. Hill also lays us under many obligations to him for two superbly executed oil portraits of two of the oldest and most revered pioneers of our state, Gen. Henry H. Sibley, president of this society for some years past, and of Hon. Norman W. Kittson, one of its oldest members and warmest friends, whose death occurred in May last. These portraits are by the well known artist John P. Bligh, and are a most valuable acquisition to our collection. We have also secured, partly by purchase and partly by gift, of E. A. Bromley, oil portraits of Rev. John Mattocks, late of St. Paul, of Charles A. Morgan, late of St. Paul, and Gen. H. S. Van Cleve, of Minneapolis. Large and handsome photographs, retouched in India ink, have also been secured of Louis E. Fisher, Ex-Gov. Yale, Rev. Dr. McMasters, James M. Goodhue, and several other citizens prominently identified with the history of the state. We also secured by purchase from E. A. Bromley, a large album containing nearly 400 photographic portraits of members of our Minnesota regiments taken during the eventful period of 1861, '62 and '63, many of whom afterwards filled honored graves on the battlefields of our country. Another large and valuable collection of portraits was the gift of the "St. Paul Ice Carnival Association of 1888," consisting of 21 life size portraits of its officers and directors, all prominent and respected citizens of St. Paul. The portraits

are superbly executed in the photo-crayon process, by the Horton Portrait Co., of St. Paul, and cost, in all, nearly \$2,000. An artistically executed crayon view of the ice palace of 1887 also accompanies this series. We have also received, in kind response to requests made for the same, finely executed and richly framed life size portraits of three citizens long identified with public life in this state, Hon. William S. King, Hon. Eugene M. Wilson, and the late Wm. W. McNair, of Minneapolis (the latter a gift of Mrs. McNair), and hope that this is but the beginning of a series of portraits of all the men of our state who have held prominent official positions in it. To collect and preserve these memorials, together with their biographies, is one of the most important of our objects.

J. Desvarreaux Larpenteur, an artist "native and to the manor born," lays us under obligations for a handsomely executed pen-and-ink drawing of the "Old Rose House," said to be now the oldest house standing in St. Paul. Other olden time views of historic buildings and spots in this vicinity have been received from E. A. Bromley, of Minneapolis, A. Hesler, a veteran photographer of Chicago, from Ex-Gov. W. R. Marshall, of St. Paul, Arthur C. Warner, of St. Paul, and others. Marshall Robinson, Esq., of Minneapolis, also donates an oil portrait of the famous Dakota Chieftain "Little Crow," leader of the awful massacre of 1862. It is the work (executed in 1860) of a young artist named T. W. Wood, who subsequently rose to celebrity in an eastern state.

It is a matter of regret that our space for hanging pictures, is so limited. Had we more room for a display of this kind, we would undoubtedly receive many and valuable gifts of paintings, and other pictures, most of them of historical value.

PURCHASES.

We have been very fortunate in adding to our library the past two years a large number of valuable and rare works. In fact, our purchases during this period have been larger than during any similar period, and we have been more than usually successful in securing a valuable and choice kind of books. We have been in correspondence, during this time, with over 100 prominent and experienced dealers in books, in America, Great Britain, France, Germany, Holland, etc., and receive their printed catalogues regularly. By this means, we have in effect, the pick of

the principal book-markets of the world, and are thus enabled to select, from this immense mass of literature, which passes continually in review before us, the choicest and most valuable works known to bibliophiles. All these catalogues, sometimes hundreds in the aggregate annually, are carefully examined by our librarian, and desirable lots offered in them are noted, which are then subject to the scrutiny and deliberation of the library committee, and such as are finally approved, are ordered. It is by this means, sometimes volume by volume, that our truly splendid and valuable collection has been built up, the result of years of unrelaxing care, watchfulness, and patience. Among the more important purchases of costly and rare works the past two years, may be mentioned the following: Lord Kingsborough's, *Antiquities of Mexico*, 9 volumes, large folio, elegantly bound in morocco, and full gilt; the *Archæological Journal of England*, 43 volumes, 1846-85, and the *Kilkenny Archæological Society Transactions*, 14 volumes. Both these sets were superbly bound by Bedford, and purchased at about the cost of said binding. The *Notes and Queries*, 5th and 6th Series, completing our set. *Dictionary of National Biography*, by Leslie Stephen, 15 volumes, so far. *Manuel du Libraire*, by Brunet, 7 volumes; *Mansions of England in the Olden Time*, Nash, 4 volumes; *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*, by Ortelius, 1645, 3 volumes; a full and handsomely bound set of "*Almon's Remembrancer*," 1775-1783, in 18 volumes; *Transactions of the National Social Science Association*, 41 volumes; *Ante-Nicene Christian Library*, 24 volumes; *Facsimile of National Manuscripts*, photozincograph, 3 volumes; *Smith's Series of Dictionaries*, 9 volumes; *Publications of the Pipe Rolls Society*, 6 volumes; *Secret Journal of Acts and Proceedings of Congress*, 4 volumes; *Speeches, in the British Parliament, etc.*, by English Statesmen, 38 volumes. *Mister William Shakspeare, Comedies, etc.*, facsimile of the folio edition of 1623. From a German clergyman in this state, we have purchased a large and curious German Bible and Commentary, printed at La Haye in 1728. The most remarkable feature about it is the engravings, of which there are 2,71 beautifully executed on copper, mostly full page, and many double page. The designs of these are extremely amusing in many cases. The book is 8 inches thick, bound in pannelled boards, with heavy brazen clasps. The above, in fact are but a small portion of the fine sets of valuable works that we have been so fortunate as to secure the past two years.

In the line of encyclopedias and dictionaries we have added: McClintock and Strong's encyclopedia of biblical, theological and ecclesiastical literature, 12 volumes, Johnson's encyclopedia, 8 volumes; Littré's masterly dictionary of the French language, 5 volumes; etymological dictionary of the Scottish language, Jameson, 4 volumes; and also dictionaries and grammars of Arabic, Chinese, Irish, Hungarian, Persian, Polish, and Welsh tongues.

In biography, one of our specialties, we have made important accessions. Among the more valuable collective works secured; are: National Portrait Gallery of Illustrious Persons, Jordan, 4 volumes; General Biographical Dictionary, Gorton, 4 volumes; Public Characters, 1789-1867, 9 volumes; Portraits, Memoirs and Characters of Remarkable Persons, 4 volumes; Portraits of Illustrious Personages, Great Britain, 10 volumes; Gallery of Portraits, with Memoirs, Knight; all the foregoing being British; also, three hundred French portraits; and Appleton's Cyclopedia of Biography, 5 volumes (so far), and National Portrait Gallery of Distinguished Americans, 5 volumes. In all, we have added 238 bound volumes of biography since our last report, besides many pamphlet memoirs.

In genealogy, another department in which we are becoming very complete, our gains have been very gratifying. We have secured a complete set of the famous Harleian society's publications, 27 volumes, besides 21 volumes of other Visitations, some of them very rare. All of Burke's genealogical, historical and heraldic works have been secured. Also the "*Histoire genealogique et chronologique de la Maison royale de France*," 9 volumes, folio, 1726. In American genealogy we have increased our hitherto fine collection by 157 volumes, in addition to a number of local histories of New England towns, nearly every one of which contains a large amount of genealogies of the earlier families. In fact, we have purchased everything offered, under this head, and now rejoice in the possession of 464 bound and 151 unbound volumes on special American families, and some 150 volumes of general works. We probably have 150 volumes on English genealogy and heraldry, and now congratulate ourselves that we have a collection on American genealogy very near complete, and one of the six or eight best collections in that department in the United States. The wisdom of making this department so complete, is amply shown in the large use made of it. There is no other one portion of our library which

is so much consulted. During the past year one lady spent more than two months in our rooms in the study of family history, and examined some 3,000 volumes in search of data. Other persons have read every volume of American genealogy in our possession. Perhaps no other library in this state will, at least not for some years, have such a fine collection on this subject as we possess, as many of our genealogies were privately printed, and can not now be obtained at any price. Never, at any previous period, since the printing press began its mighty work in aiding mankind to record their history, has there been such attention given to the history of *the people*, as in the past few years. The value of that department of history had not before been so understood, and biography and genealogy now receive their merited attention, the latter having been almost raised to the rank of a science.

Of atlases, we have secured 35, mostly of western states, and counties of the same. Of county histories, usually western, 81 volumes, many of them large and handsomely illustrated. Of town histories, generally New England, we have purchased 165. Our collection in this department is becoming very full. In state histories, and general histories of the United States, we have added 107. On the revolutionary war, we have gained 34 works, some of them, such as Almon's Remembrancer, very rare; on the war of 1812, 6 new ones; on the Mexican War, 4; and on the War of the Rebellion, 84. Also, of adjutant general's report of the various states during the rebellion period, we have acquired 32 volumes. Of travels in America (mostly by foreign authors) we have increased an already good department; by 74 volumes; on North American Indians, despite our close watch for works not already on our shelves, we have only added 5 volumes. Of patent office specifications (the gift of the department), we have added 56 volumes; of magazines and serials, completing sets in several instances, 114 volumes; of bound newspapers, 152 volumes; and of congressional documents, 160. The above are but a few of the classes of works with which we have enriched our collection. In social science and political economy, in belles lettres, in works on art and architecture, philosophy, etc., we have also made large additions.

NEWSPAPERS.

In the department of newspaper literature, we have made large and important acquisitions, particularly of Minnesota journals. We have added, by collection and binding, the past two years, 152 volumes. We now regularly receive, and preserve for binding, 12 daily and over 200 weekly Minnesota newspapers. As some of these journals make four large bound volumes each annually, the rapid increase of our newspaper department can be estimated. The item of expenditures for binding these volumes, alone, is a heavy one.

Our collection of bound newspapers now numbers 1,588 volumes. It embraces a full set of most of the leading journals of Minnesota, from the first issue of the first little paper in St. Paul, in April, 1849, to the present time. In some respects, this is the most valuable department of our library, as it is utterly irreplaceable. Of most of the sets of journals which we have preserved, we have the only copies in existence. Their value, for historical reference, is simply inestimable. They chronicle events, which though they may have seemed trivial to the reader at the time, often, by the lapse of years, have a wondrous interest and importance, for the reason that in that shape is found the only record of the events which they have thus chronicled. As material for the history of our state and of its people, these 1,600 volumes of newspapers are priceless in value. They are preserved in a secure fire-proof room. For some years the use made of these chronicles, has been very large, and annually increasing. They are resorted to for information regarding our state, mostly, for a thousand various causes. One large source of searching is for legal advertisements, such as mortgage foreclosures, probate notices, and other announcements of that nature affecting the titles to real estate. This has especially been the case during the past three years, since the remarkable real estate boom set in and gave a new value to land, and caused a more rigid searching into titles, with a renewed desire to cure any defects that may have been developed in the rapid transfers incident to the speculative era. In a very large number of cases, the record of advertisements found in these old newspapers, some of them thirty to forty years old, have been the means of curing fatal defects in titles, and has proved to be of great pecuniary value to many persons, who without these old files of newspapers, could not have succeeded in substantiating their

rights. Occasionally, on finding, after long search, these precious evidences, the most exuberant demonstrations of joy have been given way to by the successful searcher, accompanied by profuse expressions of gratitude toward this society for its care and forethought in preserving what everyone else, almost, despises — "old papers."

But while this has been appreciated on the part of most of our patrons, there have been instances where our kindness and services have been most ungratefully returned. On Dec. 18, 1886, the librarian of our society detected a real estate dealer and loan broker, of Minneapolis, in the act of trying to cut a legal advertisement out of one of our oldest and most valuable files of newspapers. He was seized by the librarian and compelled to disclose his name and address. It was the intention at that time to prosecute him criminally, under Sec. 487, Criminal Code, which severely punishes offenses of that kind. But, strange to say, the prosecuting officers in this county declined to take any action in the case, and thus the offender escaped. It was a misdemeanor so shamefully and audaciously mean and malicious, that it deserved some condign punishment. The object, in this case, was to destroy the record of a certain fact.

Occasionally some curious incidents occur, in connection with our library of old newspapers, showing how closely these silent records of the past are interwoven with the life of the people. Several years ago an elderly lady, residing in Benton county, wrote down to ask if we would search the files of a certain paper some 30 years ago and see what the exact date of her marriage was, her own certificate having been destroyed. It was found and sent to her. Not long ago a United States army officer, at Washington, wrote to our librarian, asking him to search the files of a St. Paul paper, date 1855, and see if a publication of his marriage could be found. It was found and he was so notified, whereupon a certified copy of the published notice was requested. Probably this was the only evidence extant of the marriage, as no records were kept of them, at that period, in this county.

There are still some journals published in Minnesota, which we do not receive for preservation. We ought to get every copy of every one printed in this state. Even if this society subscribed for and paid full price for every one, it would be state money well expended.

THE PRINTED CATALOGUE OF OUR LIBRARY.

At the date of our last printed biennial report (Jan., 1887), our catalogue had just been placed in the hands of the printer, and work had been commenced on it. It did not progress very rapidly, however, until some months later, as the great mass of public documents ordered published by the legislature then in session, consumed the attention of the state printer until toward mid-summer. When work was actively commenced on it, it progressed as rapidly as the careful execution of a publication of that kind permitted, as extra care had to be taken with the proof reading. Preparing the copy was another serious task, even simply viewed in the mechanical labor laid out on it by the librarian and his assistant, as over 2,500 closely written pages of cap paper were required for the "copy," and in view of the multitude of names, dates, abbreviations, etc., many of them in foreign tongues, the correctly transcribing of the cards of the catalogue, 44,692 in number, was no easy or rapid task. The catalogue filled two octavo volumes of long primer type, of respectively 1,016 and 839 pages, neatly printed, and strongly bound. An edition of 1,000 copies was issued, and at once sets were distributed to our members, to all newspapers furnishing their publications to our library, to sister societies, and to all public libraries in our own state, as well as to prominent libraries in other cities of America and Europe, and to professional men and scholars of our own state interested in the objects of this society. This consumed about 500 sets, leaving a reserve supply for use and distribution in future years. The catalogue was well received by all those who had occasion to examine or use it, and many generous compliments have been paid to it by journalists and reviewers. The outlay, first and last, was about \$8,500, but the value of such a catalogue can not really be measured in dollars and cents. It will enable persons using our library to see what we have on any subject, or in any department of knowledge, at a glance, and the saving of time and trouble, and the help it will afford investigators and students during the years to come, in the aggregate, will vastly more than outweigh the reasonably small sum this useful work cost.

The titles of all books which have been acquired since the portion of the catalogue where it belonged, alphabetically, was printed, have been carefully written on cards and inserted in.

the proper order, and copies of them made on slips of paper, which are laid aside, and will ultimately, when a sufficient number have accumulated, be printed as a supplement.

THE "LAKE GLAZIER" IMPOSTURE.

A few months ago, it was incumbent on this society to take active steps towards unmasking and exposing one of the most audacious impostures which has been palmed off on the people of this country during the present generation. It came about as follows:

One Willard Glazier, a writer and publisher of books of adventure and travel, made a trip, in the summer of 1881, to Lake Itasca, which had hitherto been generally accepted as the real source of the Mississippi river, having been so proclaimed by Henry R. Schoolcraft, who discovered it July 12, 1832, in company of Rev. Wm. T. Boutwell, the missionary, who suggested to Schoolcraft the name of the lake, which it has borne ever since. On his return from the trip mentioned, Glazier delivered lectures in various cities in the country, in which he claimed that he had discovered the real source of the Mississippi river, which he asserted was not Lake Itasca, but another and smaller lake alongside of that one, connected with and flowing into it, and to which his companions had given the name "Lake Glazier." He also wrote (or caused to be written), communications to geographical societies, announcing his pretended discovery, and also to scientific periodicals in the United States, procured the publication of maps, by various engraving firms, with his name attached conspicuously to the lake in question, accompanied by the statement that it was "the source of the Mississippi river," and also had maps engraved in which it was located in a false position, and represented as five times its real size. And lastly, he wrote, or procured the writing of a work, entitled "*Down the Great River; embracing an account of the Discovery of the True Source of the Mississippi,*" etc., the sale of which was vigorously pushed in various portions of the country by canvassing agents, and had quite a circulation, thus conveying the impression everywhere that its hero, Capt. Glazier, was entitled to honor and fame as the real discoverer of the source of the "Father of Waters."

Some newspaper notices of the astonishing claims put forth by this adventurer, from time to time fell into the hands of mem-

bers of this society, but the assertions of Glazier seemed so absurd and preposterous it was at first looked on as a sort of pleasantry, or joke, and passed by as of no importance, and as a thing that would die out of itself in due time. But when it was found that Glazier's work was being planted in the libraries of the country, and becoming a part of its history, and that he had actually procured his name engraved on maps of Minnesota and that many of them were being used in the schools of our own state, we found that it would be necessary to denounce the impostor, and to warn the people of the country against being deceived by the misrepresentations of Glazier and his agents. Some of the latter had actually carried their "cheek" so far as to visit prominent men in this state, and by specious and skillfully woven statements regarding Glazier's achievements as a "discoverer," induced good-natured persons unsuspectingly to sign certificates that they believed him entitled to the credit of having discovered the true source of the Mississippi river.

Accordingly the subject was committed to a special committee to investigate and report on the truth or falsity of Capt. Glazier's claim, and every possible fact relating to it was carefully investigated, and subjected to the most searching scrutiny. The report was read by its author, Gen. James H. Baker, at a special meeting of the society held on Feb. 8, 1887, and completely exposed the falsity of Glazier's claim. An edition of 2,000 copies was published at once, and circulated in every quarter where it was supposed his false claim had taken ground. A bill was also prepared by the society, for passage by the legislature then in session, which would have prevented the use of any official map of Minnesota, or of any map used in our public schools, on which "Lake Glazier" was represented; but such was the pressure of business toward the close of the session, that the bill could not be reached.

PUBLICATIONS.

Since the publication of Volume V of the collections of this society, (Warren's History of the Ojibwas), in March, 1885, we have not been able to continue the issue, excepting the report on the "Lake Glazier" matter, published in February, 1887. That report forms Part I of Vol. VI. In this interval, however, it should be recollected that we issued the two volumes of our cat-

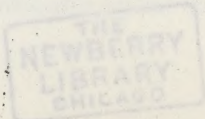
alogue, making seven volumes of printed matter, in all, which the society has published and sent out to its patrons and correspondents.

Our committee on publication are now engaged in selecting, from manuscript papers which have been contributed to the society from time to time, those suitable for publication. We have quite a number of interesting and valuable articles on the early history of Minnesota, from the pens of Rev. S. R. Riggs (since deceased), Lawrence Taliaferro, Rev. Wm. T. Boutwell, Rev. J. A. Gilfillan, Philander Prescott (deceased), Alfred J. Hill, Rev. T. S. Williamson (deceased), Geo. W. Sweet, and others. It is probable that the volume containing these, and perhaps other, papers, will be published some time early in 1889.

Of some of our previous volumes we have no reserve supply left, the fire in 1881 having destroyed nearly every copy we had on hand. It may become necessary to reprint some of them soon.

There are not a few of the pioneers of Minnesota, who could contribute to our collections, valuable matter regarding the early history of the state and memoirs of the old settlers, if they could be induced to set about writing their experiences, and the part they bore in the events of days long gone by. Some of the leading members of this society have material and reminiscences about our pioneer times which we ought to secure before it is too late. But most, if not all, of them are so pressed by business or professional duties, that they have not the leisure to properly do this work. What we have been able to secure is gratifying, but how much we have lost which we should have secured. In the early days of the society, our secretary had leisure to collect these reminiscences, and did so to quite an extent. Unfortunately, all his manuscripts were burned up in the fire of 1881. Since then the rapidly increasing library work has so engrossed his time, that he is able to give but little attention to the writing of history, or collecting material for it. The society should have some officer for this special purpose. Every year's delay loses us valuable facts, and if this society does not collect them, no one, probably, will do so. In fact, that is one of our important objects.

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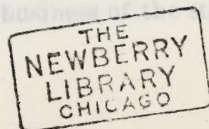
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field, is in some measure making up for our own inability to publish anything in that line. Our library is more or less used by all authors of historical works relating to the history of Minnesota, and it is safe to say that without our store of materials, these works could not have been prepared, as the materials do not exist anywhere in a collected and accessible shape, outside of our library. Within a few months past, quite a number of valuable historical and biographical works relating to Minnesota, have appeared. One of these is a school history of the state, by Prof. Thomas H. Kirk, an able and interesting volume. "Throughout my labor," says Prof. Kirk, in his preface, "I have had free access to the rich collections of the Minnesota Historical Society." He also returns thanks to the secretary of the society "for numerous courtesies." The historical and reminiscential work of Hon. Wm. H. C. Folsom, recently issued, entitled, "Fifty Years in the Northwest," is full of valuable material. The "Biographical History of Minnesota," prepared by Prof. Alonzo Phelps, and published by a Boston house, contains about 100 biographical sketches of deceased and living Minnesota men, with steel portraits of the same. Histories of St. Paul and Minneapolis, to be illustrated in similar manner, are now being prepared by a Syracuse firm. Smaller works by H. H. Young and F. C. Bliss have been issued, and well written histories of Meeker, McLeod, Steele and Waseca counties have also appeared. Mrs. Charlotte O. Van Cleve, of Minneapolis, has also issued a charming volume of history and reminiscences relating to Minnesota and the Northwest, entitled, "Three Score Years and Ten—Life Long Memories," etc. Probably others of like import have been also published, of which we have no account, as yet, while announcements of some yet to appear have been made. All these works are important contributions to our history, and help to supply investigators with material and data.

In many other ways, too, the works and documents which we have accumulated so carefully and patiently through so many years, are woven into papers, lectures, newspaper and magazine articles, pamphlets, sermons, etc., which the ever busy printing press scatters broadcast, thus disseminating knowledge and information among the people of our state, and serving much the same end as if this society itself had published it.



PROPOSED LIBRARY BUILDING.

In most of our previous reports, the need of a future, permanent fire-proof building, to be erected on the property already owned by the society, was reverted to, as a desideratum to be devoutly wished for, and striven for. In the year or two past, the question has become more imminent than ever, as the rapid growth of our library, and its increasing use by the public, has brought us, month by month, nearer the inevitable period, long foreseen, when the quarters we now occupy would be utterly inadequate for our purposes.

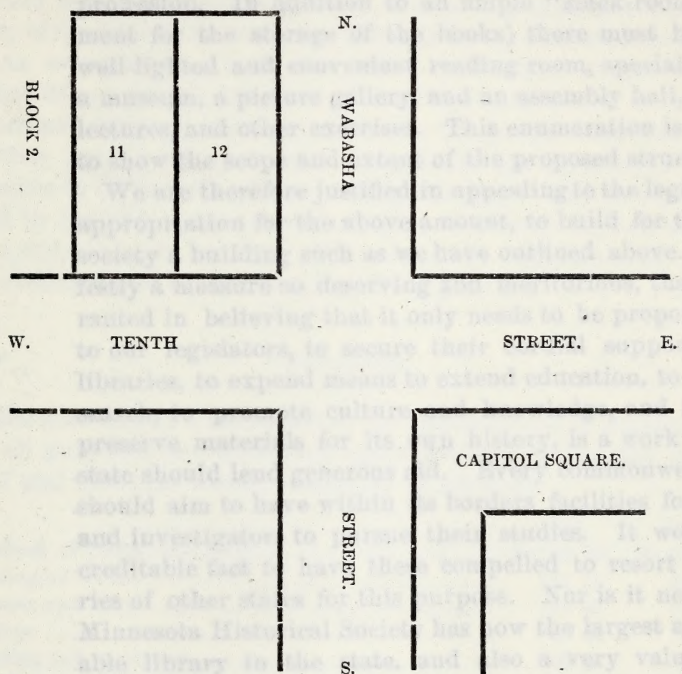
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There is, then, no other course left for us, but to begin, without delay, the construction of the long contemplated fire-proof library building, on the real estate of the society, which has been held in trust by it so long for that purpose. This property, we may here remark, consists of two full sized lots, situated on the northwest corner of Wabasha and Tenth streets, St. Paul, diagonally opposite the state capitol. Together they have a frontage of 150 feet on Wabasha street and 100 on Tenth street.



These lots were purchased by subscription of our members, in 1855, for the sum of \$1,500, but such has been the advance in the value of real estate since that date, that competent experts pronounce the tract now fully worth \$50,000. This, it should be remarked is simply held in trust by the society, as a state institution under the act creating it, "as a sacred trust, for the uses and purposes of said society," and can not be sold, or encumbered by debt.

A building, such as we ought to have on this site, would cost between \$50,000 and \$100,000. One commensurate with present needs might be erected for a sum nearer the smaller figure, but

it should be borne in mind that our library and other collections are growing very rapidly now, and in ten years from the present date will undoubtedly require double the space necessary at present, to say nothing of accommodations for a similarly increased body of students. It will be a measure of prudence to provide for this increase now. The building should be planned in accordance with the best rules and principles of library architecture, which has in late years grown into a special branch of that profession. In addition to an ample "stack-room," (or apartment for the storage of the books) there must be a spacious, well-lighted and convenient reading room, special study rooms, a museum, a picture gallery, and an assembly hall, for meetings, lectures, and other exercises. This enumeration is given merely to show the scope and extent of the proposed structure.

We are therefore justified in appealing to the legislature for an appropriation for the above amount, to build for the use of this society a building such as we have outlined above. It is manifestly a measure so deserving and meritorious, that we are warranted in believing that it only needs to be properly presented to our legislators, to secure their cordial support. To foster libraries, to expend means to extend education, to encourage research, to promote culture and knowledge, and to collect and preserve materials for its own history, is a work to which the state should lend generous aid. Every commonwealth like ours should aim to have within its borders facilities for its scholars and investigators to pursue their studies. It would not be a creditable fact to have these compelled to resort to the libraries of other states for this purpose. Nor is it necessary. The Minnesota Historical Society has now the largest and most valuable library in the state, and also a very valuable tract of ground on which to erect a building such as it needs to properly carry on its work. Means to erect the latter is all that is lacking to complete it into an institution not only that the people of the state will feel a pride in, but which will promote learning, scholarly research, and polite culture among our citizens, that will tend to elevate them to a higher rank among the commonwealths which compose our Union.

Mere money-making, mere success in accumulating wealth, will never make a state, nor will they alone make a happy and respected people. While wealth and resources are desirable, and they undeniably give dignity and power, there are qualities and possessions more important still. Intellect, mental culture, brain-

growth, knowledge, are the real bases of national greatness. With wealth may co-exist narrowness and ignorance. A narrow and ignorant people can never be respected or become really great. Hence it is so important that in a commonwealth like this, where the various elements of the population which is ultimately to form a great state, is in a plastic and impressive state, that they receive, at the very first, the impress of right ideas, and virtuous impulses, and honest judgment. The public library must always be one means of attaining this, and it is the duty of the state to foster them. The Minnesota Historical Society is no experiment. It is the oldest institution in the state. It has demonstrated, by years of usefulness, its claim to confidence and support, and now asks only the proper means to still further extend its work, and disseminate its advantages and benefits to the people who are filling this great state so rapidly, that by the end of the present century, there will beyond doubt be 3,000,000 in its borders. We ask of the legislature of 1889 an unbiased and careful hearing of our petition.

FINANCES.

The following is a statement of the expenditures of the society, for all purposes, out of its state appropriation, during the years 1887 and 1888 (the former including 13 months):

	1887.	1888.
Purchase of books, maps, etc.....	\$2,703 64	\$3,632 21
Binding of books.....	154 55	395 15
Express and freight.....	160 05	240 53
Postage	47 44	21 81
Printing and stationery	89 41	14 95
Furniture and repairs.....	231 53	374 05
Miscellaneous.....	13 86	19 66
Insurance	320 00	8 00
Service.....	1,805 00	1,899 00
Paving streets, etc.....	385 10	100 00
	<hr/> \$5,910 58	<hr/> \$6,005 36

The vouchers for the above expenditures are on file in the office of the state auditor, and are also printed in detail in his annual reports.

Under this head it might be well to refer to the property now actually owned by the society. We value our library, maps, pictures, curiosities, and other accumulations of this kind at

\$75,000, and our real estate is thought to be worth at least \$50,000. This property, under the provisions of the act of the legislature creating the society, we are obliged to "hold in perpetuity as a sacred trust for the uses and purposes of the society."

RETROSPECTIVE AND PROSPECTIVE.

From the foregoing report and statements, can be gathered the details of the operation of the Minnesota Historical Society during the past two years, in the various departments of its work, and also a view of its present condition and standing. The society fully realizes the obligations and responsibilities laid upon it by the act of the legislature creating it, and by the demands of the public which it was designed to minister to and supply. It is endeavoring, we may say, to meet these expectations to the best of its abilities and to the full extent of resources. The society has now attained a condition of more usefulness and prosperity than at any previous period, and has acquired a high rank among similar societies in this country, as one entitled to respect and confidence, on account of being successfully conducted and managed, and whose work is pushed with energy and spirit. We fully realize the import of the words of our charter, "as a sacred trust," and mean to discharge that trust conscientiously. With the new building which we hope to secure, and enlarged means, the future of the Minnesota Historical Society will certainly be a prosperous and useful one.

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Bartlett, D.	1
Barton, E.	1
Battell, E.	1
Bell, C. S.	1
Belsley, C.	1
Biss, F. C.	1
Boutch, C.	1
Brown, C. V.	1
Boyd, W. P.	1
Boyd, E. E., Watons, D. T.	1
Bradon, W. W., St. Paul.	1
Bradley, Rev. C. D., Boston.	1
Bramley, E. A., Minneapolis.	1
Bullock, A. G., Worcester, Mass.	1
Cantfield, Thos. H., Burlington, Vt.	1
Carpenter, Miss Edna, St. Paul.	1
Carr, Lucien, Washington, D. C.	1
Chalmers Patrick, Washington, Eng.	1
Chaney, J. B., St. Paul.	1
Chapman, Rev. J. J., Sperry, N. H.	1
Clark, Greenleaf, St. Paul.	1
Cleveland, Howard H., St. Paul.	1
Collis, G. W., St. Louis, Mo.	1
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Adams, Gen. Samuel E, Minneapolis.....	9	80
Andrews, Gen. C. C., St. Paul.....	1	1
Appleton & Co, New York.....	1
Armstrong, P. A., Morris, Ill.....	....	1
Babbitt, Miss Franc E.....	....	1
Balch, G. B., Yonkers, N. Y.....	....	1
Barrett, Wm., St. Paul.....	1	....
Bartlett, Dr. C. K., St. Peter, Minn.....	....	4
Barton, E. M., Worcester, Mass.....	....	6
Battell, Robbins and Anna, Hartford, Conn.....	1	..
Bell, C. N., Winnipeg.....	....	12
Blakeley, Capt. R., St. Paul.....	....	2
Bliss, F. C., St. Paul.....	....	1
Bourke, Capt. J. G., U. S. A.....	....	1
Bowen, C. W., New York City.....	....	2
Boyd, W. P.....	1	....
Boyden, E. E., Watertown, D. T.....	....	1
Braden, W. W., St. Paul.....	9	12
Bradley, Rev. C. D., Boston.....	....	27
Bromley, E. A., Minneapolis.....	....	8
Bullock, A. G., Worcester, Mass.....	1	....
Canfield, Thos. H., Burlington, Vt.....	....	1
Carpenter, Miss Edna, St. Paul.....	1	....
Carr, Lucien, Washington, D. C.....	....	1
Chalmers Patrick, Wimbledon, Eng.....	....	2
Chaney, J. B., St. Paul.....	....	23
Chapman, Rev. J., Exeter, N. H.....	....	1
Clark, Greenleaf, St. Paul.....	1	....
Cleveland, Howard H., St. Paul.....	....	2
Collet, O. W., St. Louis, Mo.....	....	2
Cresson, Charles Caleb, Germantown, Pa.....	1	....
Crouch, Miss Hannah, St. Paul.....	1	....
Crunden, F. M., St. Louis, Mo.....	....	1

	Bound Books,	Pam- phlets,
Culin, Stewart, Philadelphia.....	.....	1
Darling, C. W., Utica, N. Y.....	.....	4
Davis, Hon. C. K., St. Paul.....	5	12
Day, Dr. David, St. Paul.....	1	113
De Peyster, J. W., Tivoli, N. Y.....	.....	3
Dodd, C. B., Orange, N. J.....	1	.....
Dow, Prof. J. J., Faribault.....	.....	1
Drake, E. F., St. Paul.....	.....	1
Edwards, Rev. M. D., St. Paul.....	.....	4
Egle, Dr. W. H., Harrisburg, Pa.....	4	1
Fisher, Mrs. Lydia, St. Paul.....	6	1
Flandrau, Hon. C. E., St. Paul.....	.....	1
Folwell, W. W., Minneapolis.....	.....	1
Forbes, Rev. Robert, St. Paul.....	.....	2
Foster, J., Oxford, Eng.....	1	.....
Gatschet, A. S., Washington, D. C. ....	.....	1
Geer, Everett S., St. Paul.....	1	.....
Gilfillan, Charles D., St. Paul.....	3	.....
Glazier, Geo. H., Syracuse, N. Y.....	.....	2
Greely, A. M., Minneapolis.....	.....	11
Green, Dr. Samuel A., Boston.....	59	294
Green, Samuel S., Worcester, Mass.....	.....	1
Gregory, Col. J. T., U. S. A.....	1	.....
Goodrich, Mrs. Alice, St. Paul.....	.....	2
Hale, W. E., Minneapolis.....	.....	1
Hall, H. R. W., St. Paul.....	10	.....
Hamilton, Geo. A., St. Paul.....	8	12
Hanson, John H., St. Paul.....	.....	3
Hanson, J. W.....	.....	4
Hapgood, Warren, Boston.....	.....	1
Hart, Hastings H., St. Paul.....	1	.....
Hazzard, Geo. H., St. Paul.....	1	4
Henry, J. Buchanan, New York.....	1	.....
Hill, Alfred J., St. Paul.....	.....	8
Hill, Geo. W., St. Paul.....	.....	1
Hoard, H. E., Hamline, Minn.....	.....	1
Hoffman, W. J., Maryland.....	.....	6
Hoit, T. W., St. Louis.....	.....	2
Howard, Dr. J. J., London, Eng.....	.....	1
Hubbard, Gurdon A., Chicago.....	1	.....
Iverson, Blakeman & Co., New York.....	.....	100
Jennison, Gen. S. P., Red Wing.....	3	.....
Johnson, Chas. W., Minneapolis.....	.....	11
Johnson, Samuel, St. Paul.....	1
Jones, W. A. B., St. Paul.....	1
Langworthy, I. P., Boston.....	1
Lathrop, Rev. E. R., Minnesota.....	1

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8	12	Davis, Hon. C. E., St. Paul
1	113	Day, Dr. David, St. Paul
3	3	De Puy, J. W., Union, N. Y.
1	1	Dodd, C. B., Omaha, N. B.
1	1	Dow, Paul J. L., Philadelphia
1	1	Drake, E. F., St. Paul
4	4	Edwards, Rev. M. D., St. Paul
1	4	Egle, Dr. W. H., Harrisburg, Pa.
1	6	Fisher, Mrs. Lydia, St. Paul
1	1	Flannagan, Hon. C. E., St. Paul
1	1	Fowler, W. W., Minneapolis
2	2	Forbes, Rev. Robert, St. Paul
1	1	Forster, J. O., St. Paul
1	1	Gastner, A. E., Washington, D. C.
1	1	Geary, A. M., Minneapolis
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3	3	Gibbs, Charles D., St. Paul
2	2	Gilman, Geo. H., Syracuse, N. Y.
11	11	Greeley, A. M., Minneapolis
28	28	Green, Dr. Samuel A., Boston
1	1	Green, Samuel S., Worcester, Mass.
1	1	Gregory, Col. J. T., U. S. A.
2	2	Goodrich, Mrs. Alice, St. Paul
1	1	Hale, W. E., Minneapolis
10	10	Hall, H. E., St. Paul
8	13	Hamilton, Geo. A., St. Paul
3	3	Hanson, John H., St. Paul
4	4	Hanson, J. W.
1	1	Hapgood, Warren, Boston
1	1	Hart, Hastings H., St. Paul
4	4	Hart, Geo. H., St. Paul
1	1	Henry, J. Buchanan, New York
8	8	Hill, Alfred J., St. Paul
1	1	Hill, Geo. W., St. Paul
1	1	Hoard, H. E., Hannibal, Miss.
8	8	Hoffman, W. J., Maryland
2	2	Holt, T. W., St. Louis
1	1	Howard, Dr. J. J., London, Eng.
1	1	Hubbard, Gordon A., Chicago
100	100	Iverson, Bakeman & Co., New York
3	3	Jackson, Geo. E. F., Red Wing
11	11	Johnson, Carl W., Minneapolis
1	1	Johnson, Samuel, St. Paul
1	1	Jones, W. A. R., St. Paul
1	1	Langworthy, E. P., Boston
1	1	Lathrop, Rev. E. R., Minneapolis

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Leue, Adolph, Cincinnati, O.....	1	1
Ludden, Hon. John D., St. Paul.....	146	
McClellan, Lt.-Col. C., St. Paul.....	1	
McGill, Gov. A. R., St. Paul.....	51	107
McMillan, Hon. S. J. R., St. Paul.....	14	
McNamara, F., St. Paul.....	2	
Mahler, Chas. F., St. Paul.....	1	
Marsh, Lucius B., Boston.....	1	
Mathews, Dr. W., Washington.....	1	
Merriam, Miss Mary B.....	110	
Merrill, D. D., St. Paul.....	8	
Mitchell, Rev. E. C., St. Paul.....	1	
Moore, George H., Boston.....	1	
Munson, Edward G., Cohoes, N. Y.....	1	
Murray, Wm. P., St. Paul.....	2	
Neill, Rev. E. D., St. Paul.....	2	
Nelson, Thos. F. Chicago.....	44	
Newson, T. M., St. Paul.....	1	
Nichols, Sam H., St. Paul.....	2	
Nicholson, John P., Philadelphia.....	2	
Noyes, D. R., St. Paul.....	1	
Noyes, Prof. J. L., Faribault.....	1	5
Orr, Grier M., St. Paul.....	1	
Paine, H. D., New York.....	3	
Paine, Josiah, Harwich, Mass.....	2	
Phillips, H. Jr., Philadelphia.....	1	2
Pilling, John C., Washington.....	1	
Poor, H. V., New York.....	9	
Putnam, F. W., Cambridge, Mass.....	1	
Ramaley, David, St. Paul.....	7	
Ramsey, Hon. Alex, St. Paul.....	8	
Rice, Hon. Edmund, St. Paul.....	2	
Rice, F. P., Worcester, Mass.....	1	
Reynolds, B. M., Fergus Falls, Minn.....	1	
Sabin, Hon. D. M., Stillwater.....	1	
Salisbury, Stephen, Worcester, Mass.....	1	
Savage, A. B., St. Paul.....	2	
Shepard, Irwin, Winona.....	1	
Shields, James, Faribault.....	15	11
Skinner, George E., St. Paul.....	2	
Smucker, Isaac, Newark, O.....	2	6
Stimson, R. M., Marietta, O.....	3	
Stone, F. D., Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	
Strong, J. W., Northfield, Minn.....	4	
Sutro, Theodore, New York.....	1	
Sylvain, L. P., Ottawa, Ca.....	1	

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Taylor, Wm. H. H., St. Paul.....	1
Terry, Stephen, Hartford, Conn.....	1
Thurston, John H., Belle Plaine.....	1
Tilly, R. H., Newport R. I.....	1
Trask, William B., Boston.....	11	141
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Upham, F. K., U. S. A.....	2
Upham, H. P., St. Paul.....	1
Vanderburg, Hon. C. E., Minneapolis.....	1	32
Vincent, T. M. Gen.....	1
Vose, George, Boston.....	1
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Weeks, Stephen B., Chapel Hill, N. C.....	2
Whipple, Geo. B., Faribault.....	1
White, Maj. Geo. Q., St. Paul.....	3
Williams, J. Fletcher, St. Paul.....	1	19
Winchell, Prof. N. H., Minneapolis.....	7	6
Williamson, A. W., Rock Island, Ill.....	1
Young, H. H., St. Paul.....	1

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American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.....	6
American Association for the Advancement of Science.....	2
American Catholic Historical Society, Philadelphia.....	.....	1
American Congregational Association, Boston.....	.....	8
American Geographical Society, N. Y.....	.....	8
American Museum of Natural History, New York.....	.....	4
American Numismatic and Archaeological Society, New York.....	1
American Protective Tariff League, New York.,	20
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L'Academie Royale de Copenhagen, Denmark.....	3
Astor Library, New York.....	1
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Boston Associated Charities.....	2
Boston Board of Record Commissioners.....	3
Boston City Hospital.....	2
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Buffalo Historical Society.....	2
California Historical Society, San Francisco.....	3
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Canada Royal Society, Montreal.....	1
Chicago Historical Society.....	4
Chicago Law Institute.....	1
Chicago Public Library.....	.....	2
Cincinnati Museum of Fine Arts.....	.....	2
Cobden Club, London, England.....	.....	2
Columbia College, New York City.....	.....	2
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford.....	1	5
Cayuga County Historical Society, Auburn, N. Y.....	.....	3
Dauphin County, Pa., Historical Society.....	.....	1
Delaware Historical Society, Wilmington.....	.....	1
Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.....	.....	7
Franklin Institute, Philadelphia.....	2	9
Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn.....	.....	1
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.....	.....	17
Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis.....	.....	1
Iowa Historical Society, Iowa City.....	3
Iowa State Library.....	1
Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka.....	19	10
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Kings County Genealogical Club, N. Y.....	1
Ladies' Calhoun Monument Association.....	1
Lowell, Mass., Old Residents' Historical Association.....	.....	2
Macalester College, St. Paul.....	.....	2
Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society, Winnipeg.....	.....	1
Maryland Historical Society.....	.....	6
Massachusetts Historical Society.....	7	1
Massachusetts Horticultural Society.....	.....	2
Massachusetts Medical Society.....	.....	2
Massachusetts Secretary of State.....	1	.....
Michigan State Library.....	23	.....
Minneapolis Board of Education.....	.....	5
Minnesota Commandery, Loyal Legion.....	1	.....
Minnesota Signal Service and Weather Bureau.....	.....	2
Mitchell Library, Glasgow, Scotland.....	.....	1
Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis.....	.....	1
Morrison Observatory, Glasgow, Mo.....	.....	1
Nebraska State Historical Society.....	1	.....
Newark Library Association, Newark, N. J.....	.....	1
New Bedford Public Library, New Bedford, Mass.....	.....	1
Newberry Library, Chicago.....	.....	1
New England Historic-Genealogical Society, Boston.....	1
New Haven Colony Historical Society.....	1	1
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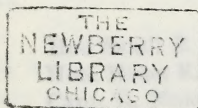
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Ohio Historical and Philosophical Society, Cincinnati.....	1
Peabody Institute, Baltimore.....	2
Peabody Museum of Archaeology, Cambridge, Mass.....	.....	2
Pennsylvania Historical Society.....	.....	1
Pennsylvania State Library.....	19	1
Philadelphia Library Company.....	1
Providence Public Library.....	2
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Rhode Island Historical Society.....	2
Royal Historical Society, London, Eng.....	1	1
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St. Paul Chamber of Commerce.....	1
San Francisco Mercantile Library Association.....	2
Société d'Ethnographie, Paris.....	.....	4
Society for the Propagation of the Gospel among the Indians, Boston..	1	.....
Toronto Public Library.....	.....	1
United States Bureau of Education.....	.....	9
United States Bureau of Ethnology.....	.....	5
United States Bureau of Statistics.....	.....	3
United States Chief of Engineers.....	5	.....
United States Department of Agriculture.....	.....	1
United States Department of Interior.....	140	3
United States Department of State.....	.....	11
United States Department of Treasury.....	1	.....
United States Department of War.....	3	.....
United States Fish Commission.....	.....	4
United States Geological Survey.....	1	9
United States Patent Office.....	56	.....
United States Signal Office.....	.....	3
United States Smithsonian Institute.....	2	6
United States Library of Congress.....	.....	1
Virginia Historical Society.....	2	.....
Warner Observatory, Rochester, N. Y.....	.....	1
Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, O.....	1	5
Winnipeg Board of Trade.....	.....	1
Wisconsin State Historical Society.....	6	3
Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.....	.....	1
Worcester, Mass., Free Public Library.....	.....	3
Worcester Society of Antiquity.....	3
Wyoming Historical Society, Wilkesbarre, Pa.....	2
Yale University.....	1	5

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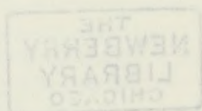
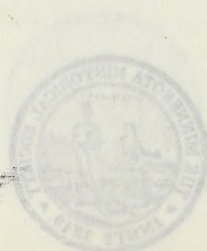
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REPORT.

The Minnesota Historical Society presents to the legislature of the state, and to its members and patrons, this record of its work and of its management of the trust imposed upon it by its charter, during the two years which have elapsed since its last biennial report, with much gratification, and no little pride. The past two years have been years of marked prosperity for this institution, of real progress in its work and aims, of valuable and generous additions to its library and collections, and in a widening and development of its influence and usefulness as a state institution. At no period of its history has this society made greater advance along all the lines of its work, nor had more gratifying success in accomplishing its objects, than during 1889 and 1890.

ORGANIZATION AND OBJECTS.

As this report may fall into the hands of some who are not familiar with the objects of the society, it may be well to explain them at the outset of this recital.

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the territory, and incorporated by an act of the first territorial legislature, approved Oct. 20, 1849, thus being the first public institution organized in the territory; and its "library" then only a few volumes, was the first ever established in Minnesota. The original charter of the society stated its objects to be: "The collection and preservation of a library, mineralogical and geological specimens, Indian curiosities, and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate the history and settlement of said territory." The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science and literature."

The amended charter of 1856 also enacted: That "the said society shall be allowed to receive, by bequest, donation, or purchase, any amount of property, real or personal, and shall

hold the same in perpetuity, as a sacred trust for the uses and purposes of said society, without in any manner mortgaging, or by debts incumbering such property, now in possession, or thereafter to be acquired; nor shall any such property be liable, in any manner or form whatever, for any debt contracted by said society; and the real property now vested in the society, in the city of St. Paul, and the building hereafter to be located thereon, as a hall for the same, and the personal property of the society, shall be exempt from taxation." Thus the Minnesota Historical Society is established, to act as trustees for the management and care of its property, for the use and benefit of the people of the state.

The work of this society may therefore be formulated thus:

I. (1) The collection, (2) the preservation, and (3) the publication of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

II. The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the most valuable departments of knowledge.

III. The diffusion, among the citizens of the state, of useful knowledge.

It will thus be seen that important and responsible duties are laid upon this society. The following pages will show how we have discharged this trust.

LIBRARY INCREASE AND PRESENT CONDITION.

The steady and rapid growth of our library is especially a cause for congratulation on our part. The following statistics will set forth its increase and present condition in a succinct form.

On Dec. 1, 1888, we had, on our shelves, 16,106 bound, and 13,849 unbound volumes. Total in library, 29,955 volumes.

During the year 1889 (13 months), there were added as follows: 2,101 bound volumes, and 2,626 pamphlets; total, 4,727. Of the bound volumes, 887 were secured by purchase, and 669 by gift; 214 were purchased unbound, and bound by us; and 336 were received by gift, unbound, and bound by us. Total increase by binding, 550. Of the pamphlets and unbound volumes, 204 were purchased at a cost of \$355.06. All the rest were received by gift.

The total number of volumes on our shelves Jan. 1, 1890, was: Bound, 18,207; unbound, 16,475. Total, 34,682.

During the year 1890 (11 months to Dec. 1), there were added

to the library as follows: bound volumes, 1,270; unbound, 5,682. Total, 6952.

Thus, on Dec. 1, 1890, there were on our shelves, bound volumes, 19,475; unbound volumes, 22,157. Total, 41,632.

The sources from which the bound volumes (1890) were acquired were: by gift, 308; By purchase, 642; received as gifts, unbound, and bound by us, 162; purchased unbound, and bound by us, 158. Total increase by binding, 320. Of the pamphlets and unbound volumes, 158 were purchased, costing us \$206.85 (this including the cost of periodicals also.)

Since our last biennial report there have been added to our library, 179 bound volumes of pamphlets, increasing our collection of these to 341 volumes, containing in all 8,327 separate titles.

The cataloguing of all accessions to the library has been pursued steadily since 1888, and forms one of the most exacting and laborious parts of the librarian's duties. At the date of our biennial report, two years ago, we had a total of 44,692 cards in our drawers. Since that date 6,336 have been written and placed by the librarian, making the total number at present 54,850. In addition to this, the titles of all accessions since the publication of our catalogue are copied on slips, which are laid by to be incorporated, ultimately, into a supplement to our printed catalogue, when a sufficient number have accumulated to render that necessary.

The foregoing statistics will give a definite idea of the actual strength of the library, yet they would fail to convey any impression regarding its completeness and value. During the past two years we have made most gratifying advance in enriching and enlarging our splendid collection. In all departments of our library we have added a large number of valuable and rare works. No exertions have been spared by our library committee to seek out, from the book markets of the world, and secure the works needed to make our collections on various topics complete and full. We have had many encouraging instances of success in this, since our last report, and feel justly proud of the advance we have made. It has only been by tenacity of purpose and incessant vigilance, that we have accomplished so much as we have—pursuing well-laid plans for the increase and enrichment of our library through years. The task of building up a valuable library, such as ours is designed to be, is no easy one. Rare and scarce books are gained but slowly. They appear in market at very rare intervals, some-

times, and must be watched for with unremitting care in the catalogues of dealers, which are sent to us in great numbers, so as to acquire them, or the chance then lost may not occur again in a long period. Thus we have built up, one volume at a time, almost, some of our very full and complete sections. Thus it will be seen how it requires years to give maturity and completeness to a library. The catalogues of dealers, and also of important auction sales in all the book marts of the world, are carefully examined to secure the works we need, and an extensive correspondence kept up with the sources of supply everywhere. Constant vigilance is required on the part of our librarian, and other members of the library committee, to watch the book mart, and see that no desirable works which "turn up," from time to time, are allowed to "escape" our clutches. Much of our collection we have accumulated, one volume at a time, from points as distant as Leipsic, Paris and London.

This important work could be greatly hastened, had we adequate means to carry it on. But our fund for the purchase of books is quite limited. In 1889 we were only able to devote \$2,444 to the purpose, and in 1890, \$2,346. In view of the high prices we are compelled to pay for most of the rare books, this sum is inadequate for any rapid filling up of our collection. We have to proceed very cautiously, in our purchases, and in not a few instances we have had to lose the chance of securing works of great value to us, because the prize was carried off by libraries of longer purse. The number of new libraries, some of these with princely endowments, which have been established within a few years, and all purchasing largely, especially in the class of works known as "Americana," renders the competition at book sales more keen continually, and has greatly enhanced prices. In such a contest as this, a library with small means, like ours, does not stand much chance of securing the plums. It is a necessity that some way should be found to increase our book-purchasing fund. We ought to have at least \$3,000 per annum for that purpose, if not \$5,000. There will be economy in this, as the prices of the books we are purchasing is increasing continually, and after a time we will be compelled to pay largely enhanced prices.

Notwithstanding this hindrance, our library has attained a size and value, which we can justly feel proud of. It is a valuable and useful collection, very complete and full in most of our specialties, and ought now to rank as one of the best and

most valuable libraries in the west. We have frequently been gratified by the admiration and praise expressed by visitors from eastern states, scholars and professional men who were connoisseurs in this department, and who warmly congratulated this society on its success in gathering such a fine library, and the good taste and judgment shown in the selection of the books. Had we only a suitable place to house our biblical treasures, commodious and well lighted, it would greatly enhance the impression our library would make, on those visiting it.

PRINCIPAL PURCHASES.

Very many and very valuable, in general, have been our purchases the past two years. While the library has received notable additions in all departments, in some lines, our acquisitions by purchase has been very important. We might mention particularly: Genealogy, biography, American history, general and state, county and town histories; works on the rebellion; travels in the United States; early French or Spanish explorations; works on the Indian tribes; descriptive and geographical (American); etc., etc. In all, during the past two years, 1529 bound volumes have been added to our library at an outlay of \$4,790.59, and our accessions from this source have been more important than those during any similar period in our history. For instance, in genealogy, we added 110 volumes; of works on the rebellion, 239; and of travels and voyages in America, 208. In county histories and atlases our purchases have also been large.

Early French explorations and *Relations* have always been a leading specialty with us. We have recently secured some rare and valuable ones which we had searched for during several years. Prominent among the latter is the "Recueil de Voyages de M. Thevenot," (Paris, 1687. 8vo.) This work may be found fully described in Harris's "notes pour servir a l'histoire, a la bibliographie, et a la cartographie de la Nouvelle France," as No. 147, Harris's notes and comments, there occupying 22 pages. We secured our copy from E. Dufosse, the well known biblioplist of Paris, and paid for the same \$56. It is perfect and in fine preservation. It is certainly a very rare work and must always have a leading place in our works on early explorations in Nouvelle France. We have also acquired "Remarques sur la Carte de Amerique, M. Bellin," (Paris, 1785.) Also "Voyages dans l' Amerique

Septentrionale," Collot. (Paris, 1826. 8vo.) "Le Grand Voyage des Pays des Hurons," (Theodat.) "Memoire sur la Carte Intitulee Canada, Louisiane, et Terre Anglaise." (Paris, 1756.) The cost of this was \$18.20. All the foregoing books are known as "scarce," or even "*tres rare*." We have also secured a set of the Transactions and Memoires of the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec, which contain a number of explorations and voyages. Cost, \$34.75.

Several rare works on the revolutionary struggle have been added to our already good collection. We received a splendid set of "Almon's Remembrancer," (1775-84,) 17 vols., for \$141. They are absolutely complete and in elegant uniform binding. "History of the War in America" (3 vols. Lond.) for \$18.90, was another addition on this list. "Porcupine's Works," (Wm. Cobbett,) 12 vols. (1801), we got for the low price of \$15.00 and the works of John Witherspoon, (Edinburg, 1804,) 9 vols., for \$7.10. Also Entick's "General History of the Late War," 4 vols., (Lond. 1766,) for \$7.50. Another work secured, somewhat of the same class, was "Account of the First Discovery of Florida," T. Jeffery's, (Lond. 1763. 4vo.) cost \$9.00. Martin's "History of Louisiana," (1827,) cost \$15.00. A parliamentary blue-book on Red River and Hudson Bay matters, (1739), bound in half morocco, \$14.50.

Relating to English history and genealogy, we have made some good purchases, among them, "Memorials of Oxford," 3 vols., costing \$28.00. "Alumni Oxonienses," (Foster,) 4 vols., cost \$23.00. "Englishmen of Letters," 16 vols. "Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts," a complete set, 24 vols., elegantly bound in half Russia, by Ringer, cost \$117.00. Holinshed's "Chronicles of England, Scotland and Ireland." (1807,) 6 vols., at \$94.00. Help's "Spanish Conquest in America," 4 vols., cost \$18.70. Schliemann's complete works, 4 vols., cost \$16.00. Harris's "Bibliotheca Americana Vetustissima," [additions] cost, unbound, \$13.00; and his Corte Real, unbound, \$8.80. Duruy's History of Rome, 6 vols., cost \$21.00. Carver's "Universal Traveller," (folio) and his "Treatise on the Tobacco Plant," two scarce works, both of which we had sought for a long time, we secured for \$16.00. The works were not intrinsically so valuable, but we desired them on account of Carver's having explored and written about this immediate region.

A few works relating to America, complete our memoranda in regard to our prominent purchases. Drake's Indian Tribes;

Ireland's "The Republic," (18 vols); Public Service of the State of New York, (3 vols., folio), cost \$90; Battles and Leaders of the Civil war, \$22; Memorial History of Saint Paul, Minn., \$15; Biographical History of the Northwest, \$25, etc., etc. Some documentary histories of states have also been secured; the calendars and state papers of Virginia, (7 vols.); Public Records of Connecticut, (vols 10-15), and the New Hampshire documents and records (including Revolutionary rolls), vols. 4-17, at a total cost for the three sets, of \$85.50.

We have also purchased three valuable sets of New York and Boston newspapers, covering the period of the rebellion, in all 83 volumes, for a total of \$295.

These items are mentioned, not with any idea of their importance in any way, but to give some insight into our purchases of books, their nature, value, etc. As the funds which we have at our disposal for the purchase of books are somewhat limited, we have to proceed in that direction quite cautiously, so as to make the amount cover as much ground as possible. In the main, our books have been bought at a very reasonable price, by taking advantage of the markets where, by experience, we find that we can purchase at the most reasonable rates. We have certainly been very successful in securing a large number of very valuable and scarce works, at a moderate and reasonable outlay.

Several very valuable sets of works, which were being issued, one volume at a time, during several years past, have been completed by us in a few months past. Among these are: Just in Winsor's great work, "Narrative and Critical History of America," in 8 volumes; Tanguay's "Dictionnaire Genealogique des Familles Canadiennes," 7 volumes; Hubert H. Bancroft's great work, "History of the Pacific States," the 34th and last volume of which has just been delivered to us; the Encyclopedia Britannica, original Edinburg edition, 25 volumes, with the "American Supplement," 4 volumes; Appleton's "Cyclopedia of American Biography," 6 volumes, etc., etc. Stephen's "Dictionary of National Biography," Sabin's "Bibliotheca Americana," the "War of the Rebellion, a Compilation of Official Records," and other works, still drag their slow length along, and giving but faint hopes, sometimes, that the librarians of the present generation will see their last volume.

As there are other public libraries in this vicinity, two at St. Paul and two at Minneapolis, abundantly supplied with means, and purchasing extensively, it has seemed the best policy of

our library committee, to purchase works, as a general rule, which the other libraries do not collect. It would not be good policy for any of these libraries to duplicate the collections of the others. By avoiding this, there can thus be built up in the two cities several very valuable libraries, each possessing (to some extent at least) a separate field, and thus giving to the reading public, a much wider range of works than they could, if they were to go over common lines of collection. It is not probable that any other library in this state, will, in many years, at least, endeavor to make a complete collection of genealogy and heraldry, of local history, of newspapers, of county atlases, of works on Indians, travels in America, early French explorations, rebellion literature and several other classes, in which we are now very complete. In these departments we must for a long period, remain quite unapproached.

PRINCIPAL GIFTS RECEIVED.

The gifts received since the date of our last biennial report, have been larger than during any similar period previously, and more valuable, generally, and among them are many worthy of a special acknowledgement.

From the Minneapolis Public Library we have received the Monthly Journal, or Literary Review (Lond. 1790-98), 27 volumes; also Universal History (Lon. 1779), 60 volumes, in exchange for a number of volumes of St. Paul and Minneapolis newspapers supplied to that institution. From the Department of the Interior, 96 volumes congressional documents, and other government publications. From Senator C. K. Davis, 14 volumes of Congressional Record. From Maj. Thomas M. Newson, 11 bound volumes of newspapers, 57 pamphlets, and other gifts. From Col. John W. Taylor, St. Paul, 22 bound volumes, 135 pamphlets, numerous manuscripts, etc. From John Le Brun and wife, St. Paul, 50 volumes German classics, elegantly bound, as a memorial of their son, Norman Rowley Le Brun, deceased. Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, one of the oldest and most generous contributors to our library, again renders us his debtor for 20 bound volumes and 341 pamphlets. Mr. H. Wadsworth, of Glencoe, Minn., has enriched our gatherings with 20 files of newspapers and periodicals, and a collection of 720 trade lists, gathered by him in his business the past 20 years, representing the present condition and values of almost every kind of manufacture and products carried on in the United States. Many of them are elegantly illustrated.

and the whole form a valuable picture of the inventions, appliances, fabrics, utensils, machinery, etc., of this period. We have assorted them by sizes, and bound them into 23 volumes. Dr. Charles H. Boardman, St. Paul, presents us with valuable pictorial histories of the war, and several bound files of newspapers. Rev. C. D. Bradlee, Boston, one of our steady patrons, valuable files of journals, autographs, etc. Mrs. B. M. Smith, 9 volumes of *The Index*. Hon. Hamilton A. Hill, Boston, secretary of the national board of trade, 8 bound volumes of the proceedings of that body. Hon. Alex. Ramsey, St. Paul, 209 pamphlets. H. P. Upham, St. Paul, 3 volumes and 33 pamphlets. R. O. Sweeny, Duluth, 20 volumes and 200 pamphlets. From Prof. T. H. Lewis, 161 pamphlets. From Prof. T. H. Kirk, 154 pamphlets. From Chas. E. Mayo, 59 pamphlets. From Samuel E. Adams, 11 bound volumes and 131 pamphlets. From J. Fletcher Williams, 15 volumes, 33 pamphlets, and files of papers published in various cities of Europe, in six different languages. From Miss Mary B. Merriam, Greenwood, Mass., 29 volumes and 66 pamphlets. From G. A. Borup, St. Paul, 25 volumes and 34 pamphlets. From John S. Harris, La Crescent, a nearly complete file of the annual premium lists of our State Agricultural Society. From Rev. Chrysostom Schreiner, Collegeville, Minn., a complete set of the catalogues of St. John's university. From Columbia College, New York, we have received 11 bound and 65 unbound volumes. From the state library of Pennsylvania, 28 volumes. From the New Jersey historical society, 16 pamphlets. From the Buffalo historical society, 17 volumes. From the Michigan state library, 24 volumes. From the Chicago historical society, 15 volumes. Nebraska historical society, 3 volumes, and the N. J. historical society, 2 bound and 84 unbound volumes. From Mr. Charles D. Elfelt, St. Paul, a scrap-book containing several hundred envelopes, printed in 1861 and 1862, with patriotic emblems and devices of the Union cause.

We cannot extend this list further, though there are other generous gifts which merit special acknowledgment. The full list of contributors is given in an appendix to this report. We return to each and all our grateful thanks for their good will to this institution, and their acceptable gifts. It might be remarked here, that our list of contributors is increasing each year.

The donations to our museum and picture gallery are acknowledged under another heading.

ACCESSIONS TO THE PICTURE GALLERY.

Many valuable additions have been made in the past two years to our collection of historical portraits and other pictures. One of the most notable of these is a life-size portrait of Joseph Rolette, of Pembina, a celebrity of our territorial period, splendidly executed in pastel by the "Horton-Carling Portrait Company," and richly framed. It was a gift of a councilor of this society, Hon. Charles E. Flandrau, and forms an attractive piece in our collection of pictures. The portrait is very life-like and characteristic. Mr. Rolette is depicted in his *Metis* costume, itself a historical curiosity. In presenting the picture to the society [April 14, 1890] Judge Flandrau read a very entertaining biographical sketch of Mr. Rolette, with many humorous allusions to his marked personal characteristics, and some account of his chief exploit, during the memorable session of the territorial legislature of 1857, at which he was a member, and chairman of the committee on enrolled bills, in "making off" with the enrolled bill to remove the seat of government from Saint Paul to Saint Peter, thus defeating the intent of that measure. Judge Flandrau's paper was followed by one by Hon. Isaac V. D. Heard, who also gave many amusing incidents of Rolette's career, and of the times in which he was so prominent. These interesting addresses have been published in full in the Magazine of American History, in its issue of October, 1890.

Several life-size crayon-photo and pastel portraits of other pioneers of the state have been added to our gallery recently. Mrs. John R. Irvine, of St. Paul, contributes a likeness of the deceased old settler of that name; Mrs. Wm. O. Allen, St. Paul, one of the late Bartlett Presley; the family of Roswell P. Russell, of Minneapolis, one of that gentleman, now almost the oldest living pioneer of Minnesota; Hon. Wm. D. Washburn, of Minneapolis, one of his brother, the late C. C. Washburn, and one of himself; from Nathan Myrick, St. Paul, a likeness of himself; Hon. Isaac Staples, a pioneer of Stillwater, an elegant pastel likeness of himself, and a like gift from Martin Mower, whose death has occurred since the portrait was received from him. From Mr. James Shields, St. Paul, we have received a framed portrait of his grand-uncle, Hon. James Shields, formerly senator from Minnesota, and from G. W. and F. Franchere, Crystal Lake, Minn., a framed likeness of their father, Gabriel Franchere, the famous explorer and fur-trader of the Northwest, who died in St. Paul in 1863.

We have also received smaller photographic portraits of the following persons: Pierre Bottineau, from the Horton Portrait Co., Hon. John B. Callis, a pioneer of St. Paul in 1850, subsequently a member of congress from Alabama, from himself; Ossian E. Dodge, deceased, from E. A. Bromley; Andrew E. Tully, (now of N. Y.) who was one of the boys captured by the Indians on Red River, in 1823, their parents being murdered at the time, and rescued by Col. Snelling; of the late C. D. Strong, St. Paul, (a steel engraving) from Mrs. Abigail Strong; of Henry R. Schoolcraft, from Prof. N. H. Winchell; of Wm. F. Wheeler, a pioneer of Montana, from himself; and of O. W. Collett, the learned antiquary, of St. Louis, from himself.

A number of historical pictures, of various kinds, framed, have also been received. Samuel S. Eaton, of St. Paul, contributes a large view of the military execution of the 38 Indian murderers at Mankato, in Dec. 1862. Only three copies of this were made. Mr. Wm. Corlies donates a photo of "St. Paul in 1857" taken by the artist Upton. Hon. H. H. Sibley, gives us a photograph of the old Catholic church, on Wabasha street, St. Paul, long a historic land mark, since demolished; Mr. A. J. Hill, St. Paul, a photograph of the famous Indian Mound at White Bear, destroyed to open a street, in 1889; from Hon. Samuel R. Thayer, of Minneapolis, Minister to The Hague, a photographic fac simile of an ancient Dutch manuscript relating to the early history of New York, date 1626. From Prof. C. L. Bristol, university of South Dakota, four photographs of the celebrated Pipe Stone Quarry. From E. A. Bromley, Minneapolis, an imperial photograph of the surveying party on the Northern Pacific railroad, in Stearns county, in 1871. From Alex. Nichol, St. Paul, a picture of the wonderful Forth Bridge, Scotland. From Governor W. R. Merriam, 17 framed photographs, mostly imperial size, of the state exhibits made by Minnesota at the Exposition in New Orleans. From J. J. McCurdy, St. Paul, three framed engravings, of the three ice palaces of 1886, 1887 and 1888.

John A. McAllister, of Philadelphia, a life-long antiquary, of high standing, sent us during 1890, a copper-plate engraving of St. Anthony Falls, as it professed to be, date uncertain but evidently very old, which has proved an accession of considerable interest, historically and artistically. The style is what was known as "aqua-tint," long since abandoned by engravers. The size of the engraving is 13x10 inches, and

great labor has evidently been expended on it. It purports from the lettering underneath it, to have been "Painted by J. Shaw," and "Engraved by J. Hill," and "Published by Thos. T. Ash." No sources of information accessible, gave our secretary any clue to who these parties were, and it seems evident that they must have passed from the stage of action many years ago. By the advice of Mr. McAllister, he wrote to John Sartain, of Philadelphia, the eminent artist and engraver, still pursuing his profession at the age of 90 years, and whose recollection of Philadelphia artists reaches further back than any other person now living. Mr. Sartain very kindly replied as follows:

Joshua Shaw, the landscape painter, of Philadelphia. and Thomas T. Ash, the publisher (of the same city) were both intimate friends of mine from 1830 until their death. J. Hill, the aquatinta engraver, of Baltimore, I never knew personally, but I know his work, chiefly through the large views he published, of the principal cities. His method of engraving is now but little practiced in this country, if at all. Shaw's view of what he chose to call the "Falls of St. Anthony," is, of course, imaginary. I know he was never out northwest. He did go south as far as Georgia. Shaw was a good mechanical genius and made many useful inventions. His device of the percussion cap superceded the clumsy contrivance of flint and steel in firing musketry. And he invented the wafer priming for cannon, which was first used in a battle fought with the Mexicans in a place between the river Neuses and the Rio Grande. The rapidity of the firing, partly through means of it, astonished the enemy and contributed to the victory of the Americans. Congress voted Shaw \$25,000 (at the discretion of the secretary of war), but he never had more than \$18,000. He was also the inventor of the glazier's diamond, which revolves in the handle, for cutting curves without changing the grip of the fingers holding the handle. He died at Bordentown, N. J., and a short time before his death there, I witnessed his firing gun powder simply by air pressure, a matter that at that time engaged his attention. He was a good painter, although somewhat mechanical in style of execution. I began to engrave plates for Thos. T. Ash in the fall of 1830. Concerning Hill, I am unable to furnish you any information."

It is safe to fix the date of the engraving a least half a century ago. As remarked above, the view is wholly a fancy sketch, and has not the slightest resemblance to the Falls of

St. Anthony. None of our oldest residents ever saw or heard of this engraving before seeing the copy in our collection, and it must now be a very rare one. It was probably engraved for some illustrated work.

We now have 135 framed paintings or engravings on our walls, a truly interesting collection, both artistically and historically. It is a matter of much regret that our wall space, suitable for this display, is so limited, and is now almost entirely occupied. If we still had space, and good light, we would receive many valuable additions to our picture gallery. The historical value of such a collection cannot be over-rated.

We regret to report that within a short time past, our portraits of Col. Snelling and Mrs. Snelling, framed photographs skillfully retouched with India ink, were stolen from our collection. They were quite small, and thus easily concealed. The portrait of Col. S. was copied from an oil portrait of him painted in 1826, and that of Mrs. Snelling from a miniature made the year of her marriage, 1812.

PRESENTATION OF A WASHINGTON CHAIR.

At the meeting of the society, on March 10, 1890, a very interesting event took place, viz: the presentation of a chair once owned and used by George Washington, "the father of his country," at Mount Vernon, by Major George B. Clitherall, of Mobile, Ala., through his friends, Hon. Charles E. Flandrau and Hon. Henry M. Rice. The former, in making the presentation, said:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Executive Council of the Minnesota Historical Society:

We have been charged with a duty, which if not one of the most important, is certainly one of the most interesting that has occupied the attention of this society since its organization.

We are the channel through which is to be presented to the society one of the most sacred relics of the past history of our country. It is no less than one of the library chairs of Gen. George Washington, first president of the United States and father of our country.

This gift comes from Maj. George Burgwin Clitherall of Mobile, Ala.

The donor is a descendant of one of the most illustrious families of the Revolution, and sole representative of his noble house. The father of Major Clitherall was Dr. C. Clitherall, of the United States army. He was a relative and intimate friend of Gen. Ben Smith of North Carolina, who died at Fort Johnson in January, 1826. Gen. Smith was a man of high social position and great wealth, and married Sarah, daughter of Col. Fry,

who was colonial governor of North Carolina. During the war for the independence of this country Gen. Smith was a volunteer member of Gen. Washington's staff and military family, and there always existed between them a close intimacy and warm attachment. When Gen. Smith learned of the illness of Gen. Washington he immediately left his home in North Carolina and hastened to the bedside of his beloved chief, where he remained until Washington passed into immortality.

Many of the personal belongings of Gen. Washington were, by his family, presented to Gen. Smith, who treasured them as long as he lived. At his death in 1826, these venerable relics passed by bequest to the father of Maj. Clitherall, and on his death in 1829 they passed by inheritance to the donor, Major George B. Clitherall, who was the eldest son. Among these was his library chair, which we now present, in his name, to the society.

For three score years the major has cherished this relic with a feeling of patriotic love and veneration which can only be awakened by the close association it has with the grandest man of history. Originally it was upholstered in red morocco, but time, with its crumbling hand, aided by the strong desire of many patriots to occupy the place where once sat its illustrious first owner, so destroyed its frailer parts as to render a restoration necessary. The frame of the chair is, however, perfectly intact and presents exactly the same appearance it did when in the library at Mount Vernon.

Maj. Clitherall came to Minnesota in the early territorial days, and remained until 1860 an officer of the United States land department in Otter Tail county, where a town, a village and a beautiful lake bear his honored name. During his residence among us, his exalted recognition of everything honorable, together with his charming social and genial characteristics, endeared him to all the old settlers who were fortunate enough to enjoy his acquaintance; and, while he was loved by us all, he, on his part, formed the warmest attachment for the country and the people, and at that early period he determined to bequeath this chair, his most valued possession, to our society as the representative of the state of his admiration, and he has steadily adhered to this purpose during all of these years; notwithstanding the longing eye which many prominent, learned and scientific southern institutions have kept upon it, and their urgent solicitations that it be bestowed upon them.

The gift, valuable as it is historically, intrinsically and as connected with the great Washington, brings with it an assurance of fraternal love between our states and sections, as dear to us as the original achievement of our liberties. We will allow the donor to convey this view of the case in his own eloquent and patriotic words. He says in his letter to us conveying his intention to present the chair:

"This gift I make as evidence of my admiration of, and attachment to, that great state, of which I was a citizen in her

territorial days and subsequently. I imagine few of the original members survive. I treasure the memories of my association in the past, with some of them, and for the love I bear these, coupled with the hope of the good your society will accomplish, I present this, 'The Library Chair of the Immortal Washington.' May its possession ever remind, and keep ever present in the minds and hearts of the members of the Minnesota Historical Society the sturdy virtues of the Father of his Country, and incite them to a love of country paramount to devotion to party. The gift comes from an extreme southern state, whose border is laved by the Gulf of Mexico, to yours, one of the most northern, whose shore is washed by that great sea, lake Superior. Since the science of this age has annihilated distance, let us know no divisions, often exchange visits and thus learn to know each other, and we will forge chains of mutual interest and fraternal regard."

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Council: In the name and on the behalf of the venerable octogenarian patriot and lover of his whole country, we present to the "Minnesota Historical Society" this sacred memorial of the age that gave us liberty and the man to whom, more than all others, we are indebted for its inestimable blessings.

It is with fear and trembling that we entrust this gift to your keeping; not from any lack of confidence in the guardian care with which you will cherish it, but from apprehensions of the dangers it will encounter from the illy-protected home the state has given us as a casket for our invaluable jewels.

Very respectfully, HENRY M. RICE.

CHARLES E. FLANDRAU.

Mr. H. P. Upham, in response said:

Mr. President: This is no ordinary occasion; it is an event in the life of this society that will be remembered as long as it shall be permitted to exist—the presentation of a chair once owned and used by Washington. A relic of no other man would be so highly prized by citizens of this republic; and coming as it does from a distinguished son of an extreme southern state, accompanied with patriotic sentiments—sentiments that seem to have been inspired by the founder and savior of his country—surrounds the gift with a halo of love for the Union that should be cherished to the latest day, by all its people.

I move, Mr. President, that this invaluable donation be accepted by the Minnesota Historical Society, with heartfelt thanks to the giver, Maj. George Burgwin Clitherall, whose patriotism is as broad as the states of the Union.

I also move that an engrossed copy of these proceedings be furnished by the secretary for transmission to the donor, with the best wishes and fraternal regard of each and every member of this society.

Mr. Upham's motion was carried with unanimity and enthusiasm by a rising vote.

Maj. Clitherall was then formally elected an honorary member of the society. He did not survive long after this event, being at the time in feeble health, and died on Oct. 20, 1890, sincerely mourned by a large circle of friends.

The old chair, as a historical relic, is enclosed in a glass case, and placed in our assembly room, where the public is free to examine it. It has attracted great attention, and awakened a feeling of patriotic veneration, in most of its visitors. Its value, as a relic, is estimated at \$1,000.

PRESENTATION OF A BUST OF GEN. H. H. SIBLEY.

Within a few days past the society has been made the recipient of a life-size plaster bust of our honored citizen, Gen. Henry H. Sibley, for many years president of this society. This bust was the gift of Mrs. Annie E. Douglass of Cambridgeport, Mass., and was executed by her father, Henry Dexter, the sculptor who died recently at the above place. Mr. Dexter was quite eminent in his profession, and had acquired much of a reputation in American art circles. Mrs. Douglass, in her letter making the gift to the society, gives some interesting facts of the circumstances under which the bust was made:

"This bust is a duplicate of the one in the collection of governors in the national museum in Washington. Something in regard to this collection may be of interest in connection with the bust of ex-Gov. Sibley.

In 1859 and 1860 my father, the late Henry Dexter, of Cambridge, Mass., made the tour of the United States (excepting California and Oregon), modeling the executives in office Jan. 1, 1860, intending the collection, when carried into marble, to be placed at Washington, but the coming on of the war prevented the idea from being consummated. After a lapse of more than a quarter of a century the collection had attained a historical interest, and was altogether unique, and I endeavored by presenting it to the national museum, to carry out my father's original intention as far as possible. Having duplicate casts of several of the governors, it occurred to me that there might be some fitting place in each state where a copy would be appreciated, and it gives me great pleasure to present the bust of Gen. Sibley to your society, and to know that this head of the venerable general can stand in so appropriate a place as the rooms of the society of which he is the honored president. I regret to hear of his serious illness, and hope that his life may be spared yet longer to those who value his friendship so highly. The bust will be forwarded to your address by freight to-morrow, and may I trouble you to inform me when you receive it, as I shall be anxious to know if it arrives safely, although I have every reason to suppose it will, as the packing

is done by a firm which has had a large experience in such work, and is recommended by the Boston Art Museum."

HISTORICAL AND ARCHÆOLOGICAL MUSEUM.

Our museum of curiosities has received many and much appreciated gifts, since our last report.

Mr. Archibald Guthrie, St. Paul, contributed a carved wooden idol, or deity, made and worshipped by the Alaskan natives. This is a curious and interesting relic of heathen superstition, and some of its features are interesting. Mr. E. F. Kenrick, St. Paul, is the donor of another historical relic, being the top of an oaken newel post, taken from the old house known as the Cradock House, Medford, Mass., built in 1634, by Geo. Cradock and supposed to be at this time the oldest house in the United States. Mr. J. F. Williams gives a piece of bomb shell, dug up at Ford Moultrie, S. C., and which had been fired into that fort from Sumpter. Col. John W. Taylor also contributes a relic of the recent civil war, a huge and rudely constructed bowie-knife, captured from the confederates at Ft. Thompson, Mo., in 1862. We have also received three mementoes of the murderous raid by the James-Younger band of outlaws, on the bank at Northfield, in 1876. Two of these were contributed by Hon. George N. Baxter, the prosecuting attorney of that county. They are, a linen coat worn by one of the robbers, and a sack, to be used in carrying off the money which they expected to seize. Both these articles were dropped in the bank during the fray. Mr James King, St. Paul, who was sheriff of Ramsey county at the time of the raid, gives us a large and splendidly made revolver, which was found on the body of Clel. Miller, one of the desperadoes killed at the time of the capture of the gang. It is believed that this was the weapon with which Miller shot down the Swede in the street of Northfield. Mr. Frank Warner, of Carver, contributes some pieces of wood found near that place, 170 feet below the surface of the ground. This has a counterpart in a file contributed by Mr. J. D. Jones, clerk of the supreme court, found 55 feet below the surface, near Sauk Center. Rev. Clay MacCauley, formerly of St. Paul, now a missionary in Japan, gives us a flag, once owned by the Six Nations in New York, and used by them at their national councils. Dr. John J. Dewey, St. Paul, contributes a copper grape shot (Mexican) from the battle field of Chapultepec. From J. Bellaire, Winona, have been received some confederate postage stamps, and from J. F. Williams, 2 bronze medals.

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Mr. Geo. C. McClure, now of Sydney, New South Wales, formerly a resident of St. Paul, has sent us from that far off land, the tail feathers of a lyre bird, an interesting curiosity, and one which will soon be entirely extinct. We have had it properly framed.

Some interesting archæological relics have also been received. From Mr. Charles H. Beaulieu, White Earth, some bones from an old battle field in that locality, so ancient that the natives there have no tradition of its history, and where the dead were evidently interred in a pit. Mr. Beaulieu also sends us a "fire steel," once owned by the famous Ojibway chief, *Esch-ke-bug-e-cosh*, or "Flat Mouth", in 1854. Another donor, name unknown, contributes a tomahawk pipe, found on the battlefield of New Ulm after the fight, and probably belonging to one of the attacking savages killed at that conflict. Mr. M. Hall, of St. Paul, a curiously carved wooden pipe stem made by Sitting Bull, the notorious Sioux chief, and sold by him to the donor. Mr. Charles E. Mayo donates a stone hammer, found near Big Stone lake; Mr. A. J. Hill, the skull of a "mound builder", taken from the large mound at White Bear. From Mr. Theo. H. Lewis, of St. Paul, the well-known archæologist, an iron pipe bowl, from Lake Pokegama. From Burt W. Day, Hutchinson, an uncompleted pipestone pipe. From Mrs. Geo. W. Sweet, Minneapolis, a curiously shaped stone implement, found by her on Lake Superior.

The society labors under much disadvantage in regard to its museum department, in not having a proper place to display its relics. They are now crowded into two not very spacious cases, and the light in that spot is very poor. Indeed there is no natural light at all, the two light-shafts which formerly lighted them, having been closed up so as to provide offices in the floors above, owing to the crowded condition of the building. Electric lamps have been provided as a substitute, but they only dimly light the cabinets. We have now no further space to display anything in this department and are at a standstill, so far as increasing our collection is concerned. Gifts of valuable relics which we would have secured had we proper space and good light for our museum, will, in all probability, be diverted to other institutions.

Had we proper accommodation for this department of our work we could in a short time gather a very valuable collection of historical and archæological relics. This forcibly impresses on us the great need of enlarged quarters in the proposed

building for the use of the society, spoken of in previous reports.

MAPS AND MANUSCRIPTS.

Valuable and interesting maps, some of them old and rare, or atlases, have been received from the following donors: M. L. Ryan, St. Paul; Hon. Alex. Ramsey, St. Paul; Col. W. H. H. Taylor, St. Paul; St. Paul citizens' census committee, St. Paul; Alfred J. Hill, St. Paul; Judge N. H. Hemiup, Minneapolis; Capt. R. H. L. Jewett, St. Paul; Harry G. Griswold, St. Paul; R. O. Sweeny, St. Paul; Maritime Canal Co. of Nicaragua; Iowa Agricultural Society; Hon. Samuel E. Adams, Minneapolis; John A. McAllister, Philadelphia; and H. S. Goff, Minnesota.

Manuscripts have been received as follows: From Rev. Wm. T. Boutwell, (since deceased) who came to Minnesota in 1832 as missionary to the Ojibways, a manuscript journal kept by him at Leech Lake and other stations for several years, and containing a large amount of valuable matter relating to the Indians of that period, the traders, the missionary work, etc. It is possible that extracts from this journal will be published by the society ere long, as a part of its series of collections. Gen. Wm. R. Marshall has deposited with the society, to be subject to its disposal in any way it may deem best, the manuscript of a "Political History of Minnesota," written about 1870 by Col. John P. Owens, one of the pioneer journalists of the state, since deceased. No critical examination of this manuscript has yet been made by the society, but it is believed that the work is valuable and interesting, and worthy of being put in print as one of our volumes. Mrs. Gen. Miner T. Thomas, now a resident of Texas, donates to us a framed manuscript enlistment roll of volunteers who organized a company at Stillwater, in April, 1861, under the first call by President Lincoln, for troops to suppress the rebellion. Mr. C. L. Ross, of New Ulm, also contributes a document very similar in its nature; a muster roll of militia men who were enrolled and organized at New Ulm in August, 1862, for the defense of the frontier from the savages, and who did effective service in that line. Hon. Moses K. Armstrong, of St. James, Minn., adds to our collection a manuscript pocket diary of an ox-team expedition across southern Minnesota and Dakota, in 1859, a journey of toil and hardship, as the region traversed was then an utter wilderness. Rev. Caleb D. Bradlee, of Boston, one of our corresponding mem-

bers, and a faithful patron for years, has presented us with 56 autographs of celebrated men of this country and Europe, a very interesting collection. Hon. Thomas M. Newson, recently appointed Consul to Malaga, Spain, contributed a number of pages of James W. Lynd's manuscript history of the Dakota nation, (which manuscript was partly destroyed at the time of Mr. Lynd's murder by the savages at Lower Sioux agency in 1862.) The leaves donated by Maj. Newson add much to the value of those already in possession of this society, which have been bound, and indexed by our secretary. Col. John H. Stevens, Minneapolis, gives us a notarial commission, issued by Hon. Alex. Ramsey, Governor of Minnesota, in 1849. Col. S. also promises us a large number of autograph letters of pioneers of Minnesota, of the territorial and pre-territorial period, which will be a very acceptable gift. This society has recently made a systematic effort to collect such manuscripts from our old settlers, and a circular, asking contributions of that nature, was mailed to about a hundred of them, whom it was believed had preserved collections of letters from persons taking a prominent part in the early settlement and early history of this state. We hope to receive a good quantity of this material for history. We have now quite a collection of them, known as the "Taliaferro letters," the official correspondence of Maj. Taliaferro, the well known Indian agent at Fort Snelling, reaching back to 1823, carefully bound and indexed.

OUR NEWSPAPER COLLECTION.

As noted in some of our previous reports, our newspaper collection is one of our most important specialties, and is considered as being perhaps the most valuable department of our library. It has grown remarkably in size and value, since our report of 1889. At that period we reported 1,588 volumes, to which we have since added 436, making a total now of 2,031 volumes. Of the 436 added, 326 were collected and bound by ourselves. We have purchased 100, and 16 have been added by gift. Among the donors of newspaper files are Dr. C. H. Boardman, St. Paul, 6; Major T. M. Newson, St. Paul, 8; C. H. Slocum, St. Paul, 2; (all the foregoing bound,) and Charles R. Conway, Driesbach, 7; Mrs. B. M. Smith, 6 volumes; Wallace C. Brown, 3; H. Wadsworth, Glencoe, 23, unbound; Rev. C. D. Bradlee, 4, unbound; C. H. Slocum, 7 vo. unbound. The volumes purchased were all files of New York and Boston daily journals, during the war period.

The systematic collection and preservation of Minnesota journals has always occupied our working force, sometimes, almost, in preference to any other line of duty, because their value was so much appreciated. When the society was first got on a working basis in 1867, the collection of our state papers began, and has continued with unremitted zeal since that date. In this work we were generously aided by the publishers of the state, who appreciated our efforts to preserve their productions to future generations, and most of them have contributed their issues regularly to our collection, gratuitously, and in other ways generously aided the society.

Thus we have been enabled to accumulate our splendid collection of newspaper history, which will grow more valuable, and be more appreciated as time rolls on. It is unnecessary to use up space in this report to argue the value of these 2,031 volumes of newspapers as materials for the history of the state and its people. That is now admitted by all. Their constantly increasing use, for a constantly increasing number of purposes, demonstrates their value, daily, and those who have, by their help, received facts and proofs of great value to them, and which they could have gotten in no other way than in these files, which we have so carefully and patiently preserved, are the ones who can best testify as to the worth of this department of our library, and are always warm in their praises of its value and usefulness. When it is known that we have the only copies in existence, of most of these journals, and the only ones, of most of them, accessible to the public, their value and usefulness in a public institution like this can be estimated.

Our only regret is, that we could not have made the collection absolutely complete. Most of the publishers in the state, freely contributed their files. But there were quite a number who did not, and could not be persuaded of the advantage of doing so, with all our appeals. The only way, of course, to secure all, would have been to subscribe for all; but this, with our limited means, was impossible. Still, we have abundant reason to congratulate ourselves on what we have done, even if we did not have full success. During the past year, feeling that we ought to make another effort to secure the rest of the papers in the state not yet sent to us, nearly two hundred copies of a manuscript letter were written to as many publishers, asking for their issues regularly. The response was generous, although there are many who did not comply with our earnest request, and our list was largely increased. But our list of journals is

constantly growing. We now receive, and preserve for binding, 237 Minnesota newspapers, twenty-four of which are dailies, and printed in five different languages. The labor of receiving, filing, stamping, assorting, re-folding badly registered copies, repairing torn ones, sending for missing numbers, collating (for the binder), and examining the bound volumes when returned by him, constitutes a large proportion of the society's library work, and requires the greater part of the time of Mr. Chaney, our assistant librarian, whose patience, tenacity and methodical ways are very necessary requisites in that work. The greatest attention is given to having the files complete, especially the dailies. We have been successful in this, and in hardly a set of our newspapers has there been a number missing, for years. This greatly increases the labor in this department, but is necessary, and will, some time, be appreciated by those, in the future, for whose benefit and use we are preserving these current chronicles of our times.

There is only one thing to be apprehended, which will, in future years, affect or diminish the high value of our collection to future generations, and that is, the poor character of the materials from which print paper is made now-a-days. The quality of the paper on which our journals are printed, has been steadily deteriorating, for several years, in the effort to secure greater cheapness, and by the use of poorer and less durable and tenacious substances. The papers are printed now on such a flimsy texture, that some of them almost fall to pieces in ordinary handling, and tear very easily. It is not certain, yet, what effect on such material the long enclosure in the dead air of a vault, will have. It may, in time, crumble into dust. This, of course, would apply only to paper made of wood pulp, straw, and such materials, and not to our older papers, printed on good "rag paper."

In an appendix to this report is given a complete list of the Minnesota journals sent to this library by the publishers, and this society hereby returns its grateful thanks, to one and all, for their generous contribution.

PAMPHLETS—THEIR SYSTEMATIC COLLECTION.

Our pamphlet collection, referred to in previous reports as one of the most valuable features of our library, has been largely extended and enriched during the past two years. We have received during that time, from all sources, 10,409 pam-

phlets. Our collection now comprises 22,157 separate publications, 8,327 of them being bound into 345 volumes.

In every point of view, a collection of these fugitive publications, such as we are making, is of great value at present, and will be inestimably so in the future. It has been too much the custom to underrate their value, and perhaps to sneer at the care we evince in collecting and preserving them. Even our own members have sometimes asked, "Of what use is it to give space to such things?" But of most of these waifs, disregarded by a majority of persons and thrown away as valueless, we will soon have the only copies in existence, simply because we are the only ones trying to preserve them. Thus their value and usefulness, when the time comes, as it must, that these now unvalued brochures are needed for some important purpose, will be apparent. Pamphlets can seldom be purchased. They are not often kept in stock by dealers, like bound books. They must be got at the time of their publication, or soon after, or the golden opportunity is gone.

Our members and correspondents can do us no more valuable favor than to gather up these apparently "worthless trash" and give them to us. While many of them may regret that they cannot present us with a handsome set of books, they can each do us a favor of quite as much value by gathering pamphlets for us. A little care and attention on the part of any one, to this point, will, in a short time, enable them to secure quite a collection, as those having them will usually part with them quite gladly. The libraries of America have great cause to be grateful to Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, the well known historical scholar, for his diligence, during some years past, in collecting pamphlets from persons and in places where their value was not recognized, and which would soon have gone to the paper basket, and thus enabled him to distribute to said libraries, as he has done, many thousand valuable pamphlets, a good proportion of them probably worth a dollar each. This library alone has received at least 2,000 of them from Dr. Green. We remember, also, our own member, Hon. Alexander Ramsey, who, while United States senator, saved 1,375 pamphlets, which came into his hands, on various topics connected with the country, its government and institutions, and ultimately gave them to this library, bound into 40 volumes, now one of the most valuable sets of works on our shelves. Such good examples as these two gentlemen have set, ought to have many followers. Mr. Irving Todd, of Hastings, has collected

several thousand pamphlets, many of them now very rare, and which will probably ultimately find their way into some public library. Our librarian cannot get but a small part of the pamphlets printed in this state and relating to it, for the reason that he has no means of knowing of their existence. It is to our members we must look to gather them up and send them to us.

At the time of our lamentable fire (March 1, 1881) this society lost several thousand valuable pamphlets, unbound, and many sets, or series of reports, proceedings, etc., were badly broken. An effort to restore the missing numbers, (as any one painfully knows who has tried it), gave but poor results, since no one, (with remarkably few exceptions), preserves pamphlets, and even institutions, or boards, or bureaus, seldom have files of their own reports, or no reserve supply of preceding issues. The value of these uncared for publications, after a few years, is evinced by one instance where our librarian offered \$20 in vain for five missing numbers, in a file of catalogues of an Ohio college, hoping to find them among the duplicates of some of the libraries. Yet they were not to be had, at any price. For other pamphlets, to replace copies lost at the fire, we have given one and two dollars each. We believe that most of the pamphlets which we are now collecting and preserving, and which have cost us nothing, will be worth similar prices in a few years.

Pamphlets, many of them of great value, are sold to junk dealers, in every city, in immense numbers, and ultimately go to the paper mill. Our librarian was once proposing to make an arrangement with a junk dealer in this city, to buy of him several thousand pamphlets annually, at a cost slightly above paper stock, but the fact that the cataloguing of so many publications would, in addition to other work already on the docket, be more than could be executed with our present official staff, the proposed purchase was not made. This plan would have added enormously in a few years to the value of our library, if it could have been carried out.

THE COLLECTION OF MATERIALS FOR CURRENT HISTORY.

It is especially the province of historical societies, to gather these materials for history as time goes on and current events become history. Many of these materials can only be had at the time. It requires constant watchfulness to keep up with the great stream of publications, and to let none escape, as

new institutions which publish reports are springing up constantly. Many times we find out their existence by mere accident, after they have been publishing annual reports for several years. So with annual reports of institutions, commissions, corporations, bureaus, boards of trade, of public officials of every kind; proceedings of societies, associations, churches; catalogues of colleges, etc., etc. All of these are issued in countless numbers, and can only be secured at the time of their issue or very soon after. A few months elapsed, or several years, they are unobtainable, except by sheer good luck. The only way, then, for libraries who make it a point to get them certainly and regularly, is to apply for them (by postal card) shortly after their issue, to the official or to the institution. The collection of these serial reports, etc., of which we are now keeping up about five hundred sets of various kinds, is quite an important proportion of our library work, and to keep the sets up and complete, requires, like preserving liberty, "eternal vigilance." There are fully sixty official departments in Minnesota, and in its two principal cities alone, which have to be carefully looked to, to gather their annual or biennial reports.

But our care and outlay of labor in this regard has well paid us in our splendid collection of these serials. For instance, in the catalogues of colleges. We have sets of most of the oldest and most celebrated colleges in America, reaching back almost to their beginnings, pretty complete; the latter years, entirely so. Of some institutions, founded in more recent times, we have complete sets of catalogues. We probably receive and preserve the catalogues of 100 of the principal American colleges, including every one in our own state. These are especially valuable, as they contain so many names, and in many instances necrological reports of great value and completeness, and also as materials for the history of education in this country. We also receive regularly and preserve the annual reports of a great number of literary, medical, eleemosynary, relief, reform, scientific, art, and philosophical societies and institutions. These in a few years will form a collection of great value, and one which can only be found in this and possibly a very few other libraries, which have taken the trouble to collect them. The historian, the biographer, the student of political economy or of social science, and of reform and charities, will find in such a collection as this, material to be gathered nowhere else, and of priceless value to them. Many institu-

tions do not even preserve sets of their own reports, and will, in future years, have to resort to this library to consult them.

A curious instance of how scarce pamphlets become a few years after they are published, occurred during the past month. It became necessary to have a copy of a pamphlet of about 40 pages, prepared by the late Gordon E. Cole, as a report on the revision of the Minnesota statutes in 1866. Search was made in all the libraries and everywhere else, to find a copy, but without effect. The parties needing it doubtless expended \$20 worth of time in the fruitless search.

During the past year, finding that we had a great many of these sets of serials complete, and completing others where they were not, we had about a hundred volumes bound in a handsome manner. This makes the publications more accessible and also tends to preserve them from loss.

Our unbound pamphlets are classified and arranged by subjects, in pasteboard cases. We have 800 of these now in use. Every pamphlet on our shelves is carefully catalogued.

THE HISTORY OF THE PEOPLE.

Another class of works which we have spent considerable time and means in securing, is county histories. In nearly all the Northern states an unusual number of these works have been issued within 10 or 15 years past, and there is scarcely a county, except some of the newer and less populated ones in the Western states, which has not had its history collected and published, sometimes in sumptuous shape. We have from 250 to 300 of them, and hope in time to have all. While these works are sometimes incomplete, and have been carelessly compiled, a large proportion of them are very thoroughly gotten up, by skillful and experienced historical writers, and have been the means of securing and preserving a vast amount of history, and publishing it, for the use and reference of any who wish to consult them. Many of these works are elegant in their typography and binding, and illustrated with steel engravings in the highest style of that art. Most of them are quartos, and contain a vast amount of matter. They have invariably been purchased by us at a cost not more than a half or a third of their original subscription price. It has been too much the custom to sneer at the biographical departments of these works, but in the future these will be found of as much value as any other portions of the works. The "history of people" is too valuable a department of acquisition in this line

to neglect, and its importance and necessity is rapidly becoming properly estimated at its correct value. Works having names of people are now considered of the highest value to genealogists and historians, because they give traces and clues to individual persons which can be found in no other way. This is why we value our fine collection of college catalogues so highly, some of them reaching back a century. Of late years a new value has been found for the once misappreciated "city directories," and all libraries are now collecting them as historical works. In thousands of cases no other definite record is ever made of a large class of people, than the annual entry of their name, calling and habitation, in the city directory. American society is such a shifting and mobile element that families flit about from city to city, across the whole breadth of our vast domain, like migratory birds. And as it is now found by our national census that one-fourth of our entire population live in cities of over 10,000 inhabitants, these annual directories give a valuable record of at least that proportion of our nation once a year.

That there must be a growing interest in the study of biography is evinced by the great increase of works on that subject. People like to know about other people. Our journals bring men and women in various ranks of life, and for various reasons, before the public, and the public naturally wonder "who are they?" And people like to have others know them, too. This is taken advantage of, to a large extent, by publishers of these biographical works, which are increasing to an unusual extent in recent years, and are undoubtedly very profitable. Within a few weeks past, several officials in our capitol building received, on the same day, letters from two publishing houses, one in New York and one in Washington, enclosing prospectuses and specimen papers of new biographical works, "of eminent Americans," or "distinguished citizens," etc., and proposing to publish a biographical sketch and portrait of the person addressed, "for \$70," or some other very reasonable sum. Nevertheless, much as we are inclined to smile at these lucrative schemes for flattering the pride of people, the works which result from the action are all valuable, and all libraries are securing them whenever possible. In time they form a record of the people which is not preserved in any other shape. It is better for men to leave a record for posterity in this shape behind them, than none at all. Every librarian knows the disappointment visitors to their library evince, in fruitlessly search-

ing printed or manuscript records, genealogical works, or even old newspapers, to get some clue to an ancestor who had "died and made no sign."

PUBLICATIONS.

During the past two years the society has not made any additions to its published collections, but has been compelled to reprint parts I and III of vol. II, owing to the fact that those parts had become completely exhausted, through the destruction of the greater part of the edition originally published, at the fire in 1881. We were unable (previous to the issue of the second edition) to supply libraries and sister societies with complete sets of our publications, and we are in a position now to do so only to a limited extent. We have only a few complete sets of volumes I to IV remaining in stock. It has, therefore, been ordered by the society that these be issued with the greatest care, and generally only to public libraries, and to institutions which exchange publications with us. By this management our small supply may be made to last some years yet, and the volumes may be placed in receptacles where they will be permanently preserved and accessible to the public. The society has on hand manuscript contributions relating to Minnesota history, sufficient for another part of a volume, or even an entire one, which will be numbered Vol. VI. We had hoped to issue this portion during the past year, but the need for the reprinting of the two parts above mentioned delayed any addition to our present collections until another year.

The accessions to our store of manuscripts of the Boutwell and the Owens manuscripts, as noted under another head previously, gives us quite a supply of material to continue our publications for some time. The publication of materials for the history of the state was spoken of under the head of "objects," at the beginning of this report, as one of our principal duties. This society, considering its limited means during many years, and the calamities it encountered, such as the fire of 1881, has made no poor record in adding its contribution to the publications of the sisterhood of American Historical Societies. We have issued for the use of the public and for scholars and libraries everywhere, five volumes of historical collections, two of them having gone through two editions, and also two large volumes of catalogues.

The collection of materials for history, and its writing, requires time and opportunities to accomplish successfully.

Nearly every member of this society is in professional or business life, and are driven hard by the necessities of their calling. They have but little, if any, leisure to study and write history. There is not a single person on our roll who has leisure or means to devote himself to such a pursuit to any great extent. Our secretary, in the earlier days of his incumbency, was able to devote some attention to this branch, but latterly the rapid growth of the library, and the increased work connected with its management, has left him but very little time for authorship. We need, undeniably, and need badly, more investigators and scholars of history to work in this field, but we have not been successful in finding them, as, in a comparatively new state like this, there are but few of the class from which such workers are usually drawn—that is, with wealth and leisure.

Perhaps this is less to be regretted in our case, since the fully as important branch of our work, the *collection of material for history*, goes on in the most successful manner. And from these materials, historical works are being prepared and published by other parties continually, which amply cover the field of "diffusion of knowledge," one of the objects which this society was organized to promote. During the past two years several large and valuable historical works regarding the state have been published. Among them we may specify particularly, the "Memorial History of St. Paul," edited by Gen. C. C. Andrews, (Syracuse, N. Y.); and the "Biographical History of the Northwest," by Alonzo Phelps, (Boston); both elegantly illustrated with steel engraved portraits of prominent citizens. Also, the "Illustrated Album of Biography of Pope and Stevens Counties," and the "Illustrated Album of Biography of the Red River Valley." Two artistically executed books of engravings have also been published in this state. One, "Picturesque Saint Paul," edited by Mr. J. Gilpin Pyle, and the other, "Minneapolis Illustrated," published by Mr. E. A. Bromley, of the latter city. A memorial history of the latter city, to be edited by Hon. Isaac Atwater, is in press. An elegant art publication, entitled "Twin City Etchings," is now in progress of publication, by Wack & Post, a firm in this city, containing etchings, folio size, of scenery hereabouts, executed by Mr. C. W. Post.

Mention should also be made of Dr. Nathaniel West's memoir of Gen. H. H. Sibley, and to Dr. Edward D. Neill's "Macalester College Contributions," series I. Also to Mr. N. P. Langford's

valuable contributions to the pioneer history of the northwest, Montana, especially, "Vigilante Days and Ways," and to Gen. C. C. Andrews' able work on Brazil. Col. John H. Stevens, of Minneapolis, has recently published an entertaining volume of reminiscences, entitled "Personal Recollections of Minnesota and its People, and Early History of Minneapolis." Richard Marvin, Esq., of St. Paul, is author of a volume of poems, entitled "Twilight Thoughts and Heart Records," while Miss Lily A. Long, a native of St. Paul, a young authoress of marked ability, has recently produced a romance of unusual merit, which has created a decided sensation, entitled, "A Squire of Low Degree." There are perhaps other works by Minnesota authors that have not come under our notice, showing that literary pursuits are growing commendably, considering the newness of our commonwealth.

The recent publication of the volume, "Minnesota in the Civil and Indian wars, 1861-65," of which 10,000 copies were published and distributed by the state, is another valuable contribution to the history of Minnesota. One hundred copies were allotted to this society, which we have mostly used in supplying societies and institutions with which we exchange.

THE "LAKE GLAZIER" CONTROVERSY.

In our last preceding report, was given some account of the efforts of this society, during 1887 and '88, to expose the false and preposterous claims of one Captain Willard Glazier, who has, for several years past, been advertising himself as the discoverer of the real source of the Mississippi river, which he claims is not Lake Itaska, but another tributary to it, anciently known to the Indians as "Elk Lake," and which the said Capt. Glazier procured to be named after him by one or two young fellows accompanying him, and (through his efforts) has been so named on some maps of the state published since then. Deeming that the shortest way to rectify this outrage on the geography of the state, was to restore the old name of the lake in question by law, Hon. Ignatius Donnelly, a member of the House of 1889, at our request, introduced the following bill which passed without opposition:

CHAPTER 69.

H. F. No. 702—AN ACT TO FIX THE NAME OF A LAKE,
FORMERLY KNOWN AS ELK LAKE.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That the lake known for many years to the Indians and early explorers as Elk Lake, situated in Beltrami county, in section twenty-two (22) of town one hundred forty-three (143) north. range thirty-six (36) west, fifth principal meridian, shall be known and designated hereafter on all official maps of the state and named in all county and state records referring to the same, as "Elk Lake."

SEC. 2. No edition of any school geography, published subsequent to January one, eighteen hundred and ninety, which contains any map giving any name to the lake specified in section one other than "Elk lake," shall be used in the schools of this state.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 24, 1889.

Even this official repudiation by the highest authority in the state, did not succeed in unhorsing the audacious claimant to the laurels of a discoverer. The most persistent and well-planned efforts have been made unceasingly since then, by him, to procure the publication, in such journals, magazines, and other publications as he could bend to his purposes, of his false and ridiculous claims as a discoverer. He also fortifies his assumptions, by publishing certificates from well known persons in Minnesota, who were induced by the importunities of a smooth-tongued and unscrupulous agent of his, before his well-planned imposture had been exposed by this society, to sign certificates that they believed Glazier entitled to fame and credit as a discoverer, etc. Most of these persons have since repudiated and denounced the fraud perpetrated on them, and he is not recognized or countenanced by any learned society in the world, although at the first outset of his career, he succeeded in procuring a recognition from several, which they subsequently reconsidered. Perhaps never, in all the history of imposture, has a more daring sell been perpetrated on the public than the one concocted by Glazier. It is almost without a parallel in the annals of unscrupulous falsehood.

THE BROWER SURVEY OF THE ITASCAN BASIN.

During the summer and autumn of 1888, Mr. J. V. Brower, an old and well known citizen of our state, and a surveyor by profession, visited Itasca lake with a party of sportsmen, and while there, and having become familiar with its topography through his stay there, felt that Glazier's claims were entirely false, and that a more minute topographical and hydrographical survey of the Itasca basin would demonstrate such fact. On his return to St. Paul, Mr. Brower visited this society, and proposed that he would undertake such a survey, at his own expense and risk, provided the society would give him a commission to that effect. After further consultation this was agreed to, and such a commission issued to Mr. Brower, who, in the spring of 1889, organized a party of engineers and assistants, and proceeded to his survey. Nearly the entire season was spent in this work by Mr. Brower, and the Itasca basin surveyed in the most rigid manner. The surface of the country for miles in every direction was platted, the streams and lakes meandered, (many of the latter having been mapped before), the levels of the entire region accurately taken, the height of the lakes, the depths of their water, the flow of the various streams, and every other possible fact connected with the physical features of the Itasca basin. The items of information collected by Mr. Brower, completely destroyed every trace of Capt. Glazier's dishonest claim to having discovered a source of the Mississippi river. Not the least valuable of the material secured were photographs of all the streams feeding Itasca at their *embouchure* into that lake. On his return home, Mr. Brower prepared an elaborate report of his survey, with maps on a large scale, and submitted the same to this society, at a regular meeting held on Feb. 10, 1890, at which he exhibited all his maps, drawings, photographs, etc., and the entire evening was spent in examining them.

The value and interest of this survey was recognized by the society, who adopted resolutions warmly thanking Mr. Brower for his thorough and satisfactory survey, and for the interesting report made of it. It was also resolved that Mr. Brower have leave to publish his report, in any manner that he might see fit. Mr. Brower is now conferring with publishers for the issue of his work, and we hope it may make its appearance in printed form without much delay.

In accordance with suggestions made by Mr. Brower, a com-

mittee of this society affixed appropriate names to all the lakes and topographical features in the Itaska basin, and the nomenclature of the points so adopted will, beyond doubt, be fixed by common usage.

A PROPOSED STATE PARK AT LAKE ITASCA.

Naturally, the attention directed to Lake Itasca and its vicinity, by Mr. Brower's survey and the Glazier controversy gave a new interest to that sylvan retreat. Mr. Emil Geist, of St. Paul, a life member of the society, addressed to it a communication proposing that this society take steps to memorialize the state legislature, asking them to establish a state park or reservation in the Itasca basin. The proposition was favorably entertained and a committee appointed to examine into the subject and report what facts could be ascertained. The committee very wisely called Mr. Brower into their counsel. He examined the records of the region about Lake Itasca, and prepared a map showing the title to all the land in the proposed state reservation, whether it was still in the government, had been filed on by settlers, or conveyed to railroads. Many difficulties appeared in the way of the state acquiring ownership of the domain in question, but they are not, in any case, insurmountable, and can be finally adjusted. Whether the state will do this, depends on the view that will be taken of the question by the legislature of 1891, when it assembles. This society has resolved to press the matter on their attention, through a memorial.

LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE SOCIETY.

At the session of 1889 two acts relating to this society were passed by the legislature, in each case without our knowledge, and, in fact, their existence was not known to us until they were read in the published laws of the session. The first of these relates to certified copies of legal advertisements in bound newspaper volumes in the library of the society, needed for evidence in actions before the courts of the state. It is as follows:

S. F. 114—AN ACT for procuring evidence of the publication of legal notices in newspapers filed with the State Historical Society.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. When any legal notice appears in any printed newspaper purporting to be published in this state prior to the

year 1870, filed with the State Historical Society of this state, the secretary or other officer of such society may make an affidavit setting forth a copy of such notice, and stating that the same is a true copy of such notice contained in such printed newspaper, the name, place where it purports to have been published, and the date or dates, of the different issues or numbers thereof containing such notice and so on file. Such affidavit may be recorded in the office of register of deeds of any county in which any real estate affected by such notice is situated, and shall be evidence that such newspaper, with such notice therein, was regularly published at the times and at the places so stated. If the sheriff's certificate of any foreclosure sale was made and recorded prior to the year 1870, and if any copy of the notice of such foreclosure sale, or of any adjournment thereof, is contained in any newspaper so on file, and the numbers or issues so on file are, of the proper date or dates for the publication of such notice or adjournment, but some of the numbers or issues, or parts of numbers or issues of such paper, of the proper date or dates for the publication of such notice or adjournment are missing from or cannot be found amongst the papers of said society, such affidavit may state the dates of such numbers or issues so on file, and of such numbers or issues which cannot be found on file with said society, and such affidavit when so recorded shall be evidence so far as such certificate shows such publication of such notice in said paper.

SEC. 2. This act shall not affect or apply to any action now pending in any of the courts of this state.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 9, 1889.

This act is designed to furnish the evidence needed, without the loss of time to the officials of the library, who, prior to the above enactment, were frequently subpoenaed to carry the volumes in question into court, sometimes into distant counties, and also takes away the risk of loss or damage, to the precious records, themselves. The measure was a meritorious and necessary one, and in its operation has demonstrated this fact.

The other act referred to, constituted the librarian of this society, custodian and distributor of the reserve supply of the published volumes of the State Geological Survey, as follows:

AN ACT to provide for the distribution of copies of the Geological Survey of the State of Minnesota.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota.

SECTION 1. The secretary of the State Historical Society is hereby vested with the custody and control of the published volumes of the Minnesota Geological Survey; and he is hereby authorized to receipt for the same to the officers now having

possession thereof; and it is made the duty of said secretary to distribute the volumes of said survey as follows:

First—He shall deliver one copy of the second volume of such survey to each member of the legislature of 1885, 1887, who received the first volume of such survey. Second—He shall deliver one copy of the first volume of said survey to each member of the legislature of 1889. Third—He shall deliver one copy of each volume of said survey to the president of the state university for the use of such university, and one copy of each volume to the principal of each normal school in the state, and distribute the balance of said volumes among the high schools in the state, in the order in which they shall be called for.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage.

Approved April 24, 1889,

The provisions of the foregoing act have been complied with by the secretary of this society, as far as it relates to volume II. The first volume of the survey has, however, never been placed in his hands, nor has he been able to procure them.

BINDING.

The outlay for binding books, in a library growing as rapidly as this one, must always be considerable. During the past two years we have had 870 volumes bound, costing, in all, \$1,217. Of these, 320 were newspaper volumes. Perhaps there is no department of library work that gives the librarian more anxiety and care than the binding, because it is generally very difficult to get that class of work executed promptly, neatly and correctly. A poor and careless binder is a librarian's worst enemy. One who knows much about the vexations which that official has to undergo in this regard, can easily imagine him "tearing his hair" when he receives from the bindery, after vexatious delays, a lot of really valuable books, with the binding a travesty on all rules of taste, the edges all cut away, the finishing clumsy and bungling, badly sewn, the lettering and tooling awkwardly done, and perhaps tokens omitted or misplaced. Scenes like this were not unfrequent in this library a few years ago, as the binderies in this city and Minneapolis were small and usually unprovided with skilled and tasty bibliopegists. The work they have done, or rather spoiled, sometimes, was heartrending. In one instance a set of twenty-five volumes was utterly ruined by a bibulous bookbinder, who entirely disregarded the written instructions given him, so that the books had to be abandoned for old paper; nor could we

even recover their value from the proprietor, in whom our confidence had been so badly misplaced.

But in later years we have not suffered so much from these bunglers, and our binding is now done quite neatly and satisfactorily. Our finest binding, of rare and choice works, requiring the best skill and taste, is now executed by Peter Ringer & Co., Chicago, to whose good services we were fortunately recommended, some ten years ago, by Dr. Wm. F. Poole, the learned librarian of the Newberry library. This was a "god-send" to us, and we have had occasion, on repeated instances, to rejoice over the handsome and neatly executed bindings which Mr. Ringer has sent us, and that, too, at very moderate prices, considering the execution and material. Handsomely bound books are a "thing of beauty and a joy forever" in any library. Our shelves are pretty well decorated with volumes in scarlet morocco and polished calf, and as our books are not loaned, and good care of them is always enjoined on our patrons, they are all in good condition and clean. Visitors are frequently struck with this feature, and remark on it. Our books are all under glass, and consequently are clean and dustless. In some libraries the reverse is the case, especially in a few cities where soft coal is largely consumed. Our librarian visited the public library of one of these during the past year, and after a few minutes' handling of several volumes he wished to consult, his hands were in such a state from the coal soot and dust coated on the books, that an ablution was immediately necessary. The same thing was noticed in libraries of other cities, to quite as marked an extent.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCHES.

Investigation into the pre-historic remains found in our state, and gathering facts regarding the mound builders and their works, was always one of the objects of this society, and some of its members have devoted considerable time and means to the pursuit of that study. The society is in possession of quite a quantity of manuscript contributions from archaeologists in Minnesota, giving facts gained by them in their researches. Prior to the fire of 1881, which did our collections such a damage, we had accumulated quite a large and interesting museum of mound builders' relics, and other pre-historic remains, as well as weapons, implements, costumes and sacred objects of the present existing Indian tribes. Since that time, we have pursued their collection again, but want of space to display

them properly, has been against a rapid increase of our cabinet.

The fact that the society, which was the first institution in Minnesota to take up this interesting study, has now no good opportunity to pursue it systematically, is less to be regretted, since other persons, who are interested in the pursuit are devoting much time and means to it, and the work is thus being pushed in this state, in the most complete and thorough manner. Among the most prominent and skilled of these archaeologists, we may mention Prof. Theodore Hayes Lewis, of St. Paul, who, for a number of years, has devoted his entire time to the study of the mound system in Minnesota and adjoining states. Prof. Lewis has examined, measured and mapped almost every known Indian mound, earth work, effigy mound, or other remains of the pre-historic inhabitants, in our state. In all, he has a minute account of some 7,500 of these interesting monuments of a past race in Minnesota alone, and has also gathered from all parts of the union a very remarkable collection of stone or copper implements, weapons, pottery, etc., which is perhaps larger and more complete than will ever be made again in the Northwest. When Prof. Lewis somewhat farther perfects his researches on this interesting subject, it is to be hoped that he will publish the results.

The general subject of archaeology has always received considerable attention from this society, since it is so closely allied with history. We have a number of very valuable and rare works on the subject. In November, 1889, Prof. William Cranston Lawton, of Cambridge, Mass., visited this city, under the auspices of the American Institute of Archaeology, at Boston, and delivered a very interesting lecture before this society and other citizens, on the proposed purchase of the site of Delphi, Greece, by that institute, and its careful exploration by the American School at Athens. The object was to organize a chapter of the institute in this locality, which was successfully accomplished by a few gentlemen in Minneapolis.

MEMBERSHIP, DEATHS, ETC.

Though it is doubtless generally pretty well known that membership in this society is open to any citizen who chooses to apply for the same, and who feels interested in our object, it may be well to refer to the fact again. We should cheerfully welcome to our ranks, any one who desires to become a fellow-worker in our cause. We have never made any special efforts

to increase our membership, as the income from that source is not necessary for our support. Our present membership is 160. Our Executive Council, composed of 30 life members, is chosen from those who have always shown the most devotion to our work and objects. It is a highly conservative body, and its membership changes very little as the years roll by. A considerable proportion of its members have served almost continuously for nearly 25 years, and four or five for 30, and even 40 years. But most of them are in the evening of life, and younger men will ere long take their places. Perhaps some would even now gladly retire from active work, if there were others qualified and ready to take their places. Since our last biennial report, two of our ablest councilors, George A. Hamilton and Gordon E. Cole, have died, the former of whom had been continuously a member for 22 years, and rendered most valuable service on our Library committee. Among the other life members who have died the past two years, are: Jacob W. Bass, Dr. D. W. Hand, Henry Hale, P. R. L. Hardenberg, Geo. Wells Lampson, Edmund Rice, Charles D. Strong, and D. H. Valentine. There is not a very large class of men in this state, who have a taste for historical pursuits, and the time to devote to them. We should be glad to receive the co-operation of any who will care to join us. Our work ought to be more widely extended among a larger list of helpers, and divided more into specialties.

Another class of our fellow citizens, whose good will we are naturally desirous of gaining, is, the men of wealth and public spirit, who, when they wish to dispose of their means by bequest, may feel inspired to leave goodly legacies to deserving institutions in our own state. Within a few years, there have been so many splendid instances of philanthropic men endowing public institutions in eastern cities, that we wish the example might be followed by men of wealth in our own commonwealth. The large bequest made by Henry Hale, of St. Paul, which has been announced within a few days past, sets a worthy example of generosity, although the date for the realization by the public of the benefits of the gift, is deferred greatly.

OUR LIBRARY, AS A PUBLIC INSTITUTION.

It is doubtful whether the use of our library by the public has increased during the past two years, to any considerable extent. And this can easily be accounted for, from the fact that our accommodations and conveniences for readers and stu-

dents, are growing more limited, instead of increasing, as ought to be the case. The space which we can allot to reading tables, is becoming continually more circumscribed, as the growth of our library compels the setting up of new book-cases. A portion of our rooms are also quite dark, and can only be used by the burning of electric lights all day. Sometimes the rooms are over-heated in winter, as there is no artificial ventilation whatever, and in summer are often chilly and damp. To be attractive to readers and students, a reading room ought to be well lighted, commodious, and with a wholesome air. We have felt the defects of ours, when complaints have been made of them, by our patrons, but it is beyond our power to remedy them at present. Yet, it should be noted, that even with the architectural deficiencies mentioned, we are doing a valuable work, and constantly making gratifying progress, while the public have been served, in all cases, about as satisfactorily as if we had commodious and sumptuous apartments.

OUR PRESSING NEED FOR MORE ROOM.

The pressing need of more room in the near future for the work of this society, was adverted to at some length in our last biennial report. The continued growth of our library and other collections are demanding an increase of room, and for carrying on, properly, the work of the library. We are beginning to feel the pressure quite seriously. Two years ago we reported our shelf room almost exhausted and that no space remained to put up new book cases. To accommodate the new accessions coming in rapidly, our library committee resolved to empty several book-cases containing congressional documents, and pack the latter in bins in a store room at the rear of our suite of apartments and thus make room for new books. The orderly arrangement of our books has thus been lost and the continuity of our classification destroyed, a part on one subject being here and a part there, widely separated in some instances. The book cases referred to above are in an apartment totally unprovided with natural light. Movable electric lamps, skillfully adjusted by Mr. Alex. Nicoll, Jr., the steam and electric engineer of the building, partially remedies this defect. This expedient will relieve the pressure for awhile and accommodate some 4,000 new books in all, but it only simply defers the evil day, for at our present rate of increase, the limit of this temporary relief will be reached in about three years.

The two large light shafts in the center of the building, and

in the rear of our apartments, having been floored over at the stories above us to use for offices of the state departments (owing to the crowded state of the capitol building), we have utilized this space for an additional stack room for a class of books not frequently used. These apartments are totally unprovided with natural light and are supplied with electric lamps, but the additional space thus given to us for our growing library was valuable, and gratefully accepted and utilized by us.

It may be remarked that every effort is made by our officials to accommodate the public and to render any possible assistance to those seeking for information. The library is open ten hours each secular day.

A MOVEMENT TOWARDS A BUILDING.

Impressed with the importance of having a proper place to house our valuable and rapidly increasing library, and carry on our most important work, the society resolved, two years ago, to make an effort to secure from the legislature of 1889 a sufficient appropriation to enable it to erect a fire-proof library building on its property, corner of Wabasha and Tenth streets, St. Paul; consequently, the legislature was memorialized, early in the session, for an appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars to erect the proposed building, and a bill to that effect was introduced. It was favorably considered by those members who were acquainted with the objects of the society, and its value and usefulness, and would probably have passed had it not been for the fact that the finance committees of the two houses, in making up the schedule of necessary expenditures, found that there was a large deficiency in the funds in the treasury necessary to meet the current expenses of the state government during the two ensuing fiscal years. Under the circumstances, this society voluntarily withdrew their request for an appropriation, and will not renew it again until such time as the state is amply able to furnish them the aid required.

THE SCIENCE OF LIBRARY MANAGEMENT.

There are two institutions in the United States, both the outgrowth of the active and keen literary progress of the past few years, to which this society may with great propriety and advantage to itself, become attached, and cooperate with. These are, the "American Library Association," and the "American Historical Association." The object of the former, is to advance library interests in America, by annual sessions

of library officials, where questions of interest and value, regarding library management and organization are discussed, and thus to bring all these institutions into closer touch with each other. It has done a good work in that field already, and has helped and benefitted every library in the country, given them new inspiration for work and progress, and new ideas as to better methods. This library has not as yet, taken any part in the movement, though frequently urged to do so, and none of our officials or members have ever been present at its meetings. But this duty should not any longer be neglected by us. The growing importance of libraries in the United States, their rapid multiplication, and their increased use and usefulness, demand that all of them should use every possible means to enhance their efficiency and value. We must not be left behind in this worthy emulation to improve and to advance.

The American Historical Association is composed of historical investigators and scholars in all parts of the country. Its object is to quicken research in the general field of American history, and it has published four volumes of collections, from the pens of the best historical scholars in America. This society has adopted a resolution declaring that it will co-operate with the American Historical Association in all its objects, as far as is in its power to do so.

This society maintains friendly relations and interchange of civilities, with over fifty similar societies, and institutions having libraries in the United States and Canada and Europe. The publications of all these organizations are freely exchanged, and much more might be done, by an exchange of duplicates, which every library has accumulated to a greater or less extent, and should use them to aid other libraries, to fill their deficiencies. Perhaps a general system of this kind may be yet brought about, and thus promote the general feeling of mutual helpfulness among libraries, and among their librarians. This library has always held its store of duplicates open to the free use of any other library. Desiring to study the systems and rules in use in other libraries, and apply what was preferable among them to our own, our librarian has, at various times, visited about a hundred of the principal libraries in America, and some twenty-five of the most famous in Europe, and examined their *modus operandi*. This "bibliographical tour," as Dr. Dibdin would term it, was a profitable one to him, in the experience gained, getting new and enlarged ideas of the profes-

sion, and the many pleasant acquaintances made among members of his craft.

To show the importance that is now attached to the study of American history, and the value of the collection of materials for it by systematic and united effort, it may be stated that there are now 214 historical societies in the United States, all actively at work, with quite an army of ardent and enthusiastic members enrolled in their service and continually on the search for historic facts and material, or engaged in writing up the results of their investigations. The aggregate amount of books, pamphlets, maps, manuscripts, pictures, relics, and other historic and antiquarian material collected by all these societies must be very great. And it is very gratifying to know that the Minnesota Historical Society occupies an honored rank among the societies of America, and is always mentioned with respect as an active, successful and well managed institution.

PATENT OFFICE SPECIFICATIONS.

This library is the only depository in the state of the full series of United States patent office specifications. They are increasing very rapidly, two enormous volumes monthly being received, and four large volumes annually of the Patent Gazettes. These works are used a great deal, in fact, more than any other one department (unless it be our newspapers) and occupy one department of our library exclusively.

LOYAL LEGION OF MINNESOTA.

Some months ago the Minnesota Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion resolved that it would establish a library of books and pamphlets, and relics of the late struggle with the confederate states, and to that end sent out appeals to its members for contributions, which were generously responded to. Quite a library was thus collected, and it is now deposited in the rooms of this society, for care and reference of the members of the Loyal Legion.

PERIODICALS.

This society receives regularly, quite a list of periodicals and reviews, such as naturally come within its scope. We have not attempted to extend our subscriptions into the general domain of popular and professional magazines and publications, because our means are too limited, and as the public library in this city, whose income is vastly larger than our own, has an

extensive line of them, we had better confine ourselves to historical, genealogical and antiquarian periodicals only, excepting only four or five others, of which we had sets from their commencement, and desire to keep up. Our list is as follows:

American Anthropologist.	Neues Oberlausitsches Magazin.
American Antiquarian.	New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
American Architect (imperial edition.)	New York Genealogical and Biographical Register.
American Book-seller.	North American Review.
American Geographical Society Bulletin.	Northwest.
American Journal of Archaeology.	Northwest Agricultural and Improvement Record.
Architectural Era.	Northwest Builder and Decorator.
Atlantic.	Northwest Miller.
Building News.	Notes and Queries.
Century.	Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly.
Essex Institute Collections.	Overland.
Forum.	Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography.
Franklin Institute Journal.	Popular Science Monthly.
Genealogist.	Political Science Quarterly.
Good Health.	Public Health.
Granite Monthly.	Public Opinion.
Harper's.	Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Iowa Historical Record.	Salem Press Historical and Genealogical Record.
Journal of American Folk Lore.	School Education.
Magazine of American History.	Science.
Magazine of Western History.	Scribner.
Maine Historical Society Collections	
Manifesto.	
Manitou Messenger.	
Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica.	

GEODETIC SURVEY OF THE STATE.

The geography of the United States, and especially that of Minnesota, is so closely allied with the history of the same, that all geographical questions and facts, come directly in our scope. On November 11, 1889, Prof. N. H. Winchell, professor in the state university, and a councilor of this society, brought before the latter, at a regular meeting, the subject of the geodetic survey of the state, which had already been commenced, under the order of the "United States Coast and Geodetic Survey," War Department, Washington. The fact of such an important measure being inaugurated had not, up to that time, been known except to a very few in Minnesota. The work in this state, Prof. W. said, was in charge of Prof. W. R. Hoag, of the state university, and as it was an important matter for our state, this society might, with great propriety, approve of the same, and urge congress to liberally provide for the work, so as to ensure its more speedy completion. On his motion, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That this society cordially approves the action of

the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, in carrying forward the triangulation of the state by its accurate methods, and that this council expresses the hope that congress will provide liberally for its continuance, and for an increase in its field force, so as to support more than one party."

The secretary of this society was likewise directed to communicate the above resolution to each of our members of congress, and to the superintendent of the coast and geodetic survey. This was done, and each of our senators and representatives assured the society, in reply, that they proposed doing all in their power to promote the active progress of the survey of this state.

The following interesting and valuable report of the progress of the survey, has just been transmitted to this society by Prof. Hoag:

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY OFFICE, }
WASHINGTON, Dec. 3, 1890. }

Prof. W. R. Hoag, Acting Assistant C. and G. Survey, Minneapolis, Minn.:

DEAR SIR—Your letter of the 28th *ultimo*, enclosing report of the progress of the geodetic work in Minnesota, has been duly received.

The report is approved, and is herewith returned for transmission to the Historical Society.

Respectfully yours,

T. C. MENDENHALL,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE GEODETIC WORK CONDUCTED BY THE U. S. COAST AND
GEODETIC SURVEY IN THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, FROM THE INAUGURATION OF THE WORK IN JUNE, 1887, TO OCTOBER, 1890.

In response to a request from the governor of Minnesota and the state geologist, the work of determining geographical positions for a state topographical survey, was begun in this state in June, 1887, under the immediate direction of C. O. Boutelle, assistant in charge of state surveys, assisted by Professor W. R. Hoag, of the State University.

During the first season a general reconnoissance was made of a part of Ramsey and Hennepin counties, with the view to a selection of an astronomical station and a secondary base line, and so far as possible to determine upon a plan of triangulation to cover the two cities.

An astronomical station was finally selected in the grounds of the University of Minnesota, at which observations were taken for latitude and azimuth; longitude being given it by reduction from a near longitude station previously established by the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

A secondary base-line $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles long was selected in University

avenue, and measured. From this base, triangles were extended and observations made at stations commanding the twin cities and adjacent territory.

The season closed with a short reconnoitering trip into Washington and Dakota counties looking to the extension of a general plan of triangulation and selection of a suitable place for a primary base-line.

The legislature of 1888 passed an act granting to the officers of the survey certain rights necessary to the successful carrying on of the work. In this connection, as by other courtesies, the Minnesota Historical Society has rendered the survey invaluable services which justly entitle it to the thanks of the officers of the survey, as well as the people of the whole state, in whose interest the work is being prosecuted.

A choice for a primary base line having been made between a somewhat favorable site in the northern part of Dakota county, known as Rich Valley, and one in Snelling Avenue, St. Paul, in favor of the latter. The season of 1888 was spent in making a topographical survey of the avenue, a preliminary measure of it and erecting signals and planting terminal monuments.

The base-line, about $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles long, was prepared for final measure in August and September, being much facilitated by the excellent condition of about 3 miles of the avenue by previous grading; the kindness of the city of St. Paul in allowing the free use of the same, besides furnishing police protection during the final measure; and not least was the work of preparation lightened by the efficient cooperation on the part of the engineering department of the city of St. Paul. The work of the season closed with the final measure of the base which was begun in the latter part of October and completed in 10 days.

The season of 1889 was devoted to the extension of the primary triangulation away from Snelling Base in a westerly direction with Hennepin county and in a south-easterly direction down the Mississippi river in Dakota and Washington counties. The latter part of the season proving very unfavorable for observing, a general reconnaissance was conducted through Dakota, Goodhue, Olmsted and Wabasha counties, touching occasional points in Wisconsin.

During the present season, operations have been completed at stations covering all of Ramsey county, eastern part of Hen-

nepin and southern part of Washington county, and a greater part of Dakota county, closing with a reconnoitering trip into northern Washington county, Chisago county, and adjacent points in Wisconsin, Isanti and Anoka counties and northern part of Hennepin county.

The general plan of the survey is to give the accurate latitude and longitude position to the principal stations and direction between them. Observations for position and direction are also taken on all prominent landmarks, as wind-mill towers, church spires, etc., to further facilitate the work of the topographical survey which the state carries on at its own direction. The U. S. Coast and Geodetic survey is now conducting similar surveys in several states, those on the border and some inland states being well advanced, while in some the work is completed and the "filling in" of the topography by the state is in all stages of advancement. A system of levels is carried along with the triangulation and occasional determinations of the magnetic elements are made. The final plan being that the different state surveys shall enlarge to a connection with each other and with the work already completed along the sea coast, until like the smaller countries of the old world, every part of our territory shall be brought into a grand network of triangles, thus furnishing an absolute framework on which to build an accurate topographical survey."

FINANCES, RESOURCES, ETC.

The following statement of the expenditures of the society, out of its annual appropriation from the state funds, shows how we have made use of the amount granted during the past two years:

	1889	1890
Purchase of books, maps, etc.....	\$2,444.10	\$2,321.99
Binding.....	794.27	423.14
Freight.....	139.48	115.95
Postage.....	52.98	42.50
Insurance		353.56
Real estate.....	219.85	14.00
Printing and stationery	61.73	16.50
Miscellaneous.....	39.75	31.06
Furniture.....	265.27	81.27
Service.....	2,700.00	2,700.00
Totals.....	\$6,717.43	\$6,099.97

Our annual appropriation from the state, for several years past, has been \$6,000. The society has no other resources available for carrying on its work. Our real estate, as noted

elsewhere, is now considered worth \$45,000, and our library and museum is rated at \$75,000, if any estimate at all can be made of the value of property of that kind. All this, as before remarked, is the property of the state and of its people, and is only held in trust and managed by this society for the benefit of that people.

Our library and other collections are insured for \$22,000.

CONCLUSION.

We submit the foregoing report of the manner in which we have executed the trust devolved upon us in our charter, with a consciousness that we have discharged it faithfully. Our present prosperous condition, and our facilities for usefulness and for effective work in our sphere, have been attained only by hard efforts, and by persistent faithfulness in working for the end aimed at. We have had no enchanted lamp, or magic ring, to accomplish these results, but they are the effect only of patient application and unyielding watchfulness during many years. We hope still better things for the future, and that our present rate of growth and progress may show a still more gratifying increase in the years to come.

APPENDIX A.

LIST OF DONORS.

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Jackson—The Jackson Republic.
Janesville—Janesville Argus.
Kasson—The Dodge County Republican.
Kenyon—The Kenyon Leader.
Kerkhoven and Murdock—The Standard.
Lake City—The Graphic-Sentinel.
Lake Crystal—Lake Crystal Mirror.
Lamberton—Lamberton Leader.
Lanesboro—The Lanesboro Journal.
Le Roy—The Independent.
Le Sueur—The Le Sueur Sentinel.
Litchfield—The Litchfield Independent, Litchfield Saturday Review.
Long Prairie—The Todd County Argus.
Luverne—Rock County Weekly Herald, The Rock County News.
Mabel—The Mabel Enterprise.
Madelia—The Madelia Times.
Madison—The Lac qui Parle County Independent, The Lac qui Parle County Press.
Mankato—Mankato Daily Free Press, Mankato Free Press (weekly), The Review.
Mantorville—The Mantorville Express.
Mapleton—The Mapleton Enterprise.
Marshall—The News-Messenger.
Mazeppa—The Mazeppa Tribune.
Minneapolis—Budstikken, Echo de l'Ouest, Farm, Stock and Home, Ugebladet, Northwestern Agriculturist, The Northwestern Congregationalist, Saturday Evening Spectator, The Mississippi Valley Lumberman, The Minneapolis Tribune (daily) 2 copies, The Evening Tribune, The Minneapolis Times (daily), The Minneapolis Journal (daily), The Weekly Northwestern Miller, Svenska Folkets Tidning, The North (2 copies), Minnesota Missionary and Church Record (monthly), The Register, the Minneapolis Chronicle, South Minneapolis Telegram, The Progress.
Montevideo—Montevideo Leader, The Commercial.
Monticello—The Wright County Times.
Moorhead—Moorhead Daily News.
Mora—Kanabec County Times.
Motley—Motley Register.
Morris—The Sun.
New Richland—North Star.
New Ulm—New Ulm Weekly Review.
Northfield—The Northfield News, Northfield Independent.
Olivia—Renville Times.
Osage—Becker County Blade.
Ortonville—Ortonville Herald-Star.
Owatonna—The Owatonna Journal, The People's Press.
Park Rapids—Hubbard County Enterprise.
Paynesville—The Paynesville Press.
Pelican Rapids—The Park Region Pioneer.
Perham—The Perham Bulletin.
Pine Island—The Pine Island Journal.
Pipestone—Pipestone County Star.
Plainview—The Plainview News.
Princeton—The Princeton Union.
Red Lake Falls—Red Lake Falls News.

Red Wing—The Advance-Sun, Red Wing Argus, Red Wing Daily Republican, Red Wing Journal.
Redwood Falls—The Redwood Gazette, Redwood Reveille.
Rochester—Olmsted County Democrat, Rochester Herald, (German), The Rochester Post, The Record and Union.
Rush City—The Rush City Post.
Rushford—The Rushford Star.
St. Charles—The St. Charles Union.
St. Cloud—Der Nordstern, The St. Cloud Journal-Press, St. Cloud Daily Times, St. Cloud Times (weekly).
St. Hilaire—St. Hilaire Spectator.
St. Paul—The Weekly Pioneer Press, The Daily Pioneer Press, St. Paul Weekly Dispatch, St. Paul Dispatch (daily), The St. Paul Daily News, The A.O.U.W. Guide, The Northwestern Chronicle, The West St. Paul Times, The Midway News, The College Echo, Le Canadien, Der Wanderer, Minnehaha (German Sunday paper.) Our Visitor (a mission monthly,) Tagliche Volkszeitung (daily,) Der Volksbote (a mission monthly,) Skaffaren (Swede,) St. Paul Daily Globe, Der Familien Freund, St. Anthony Hill Graphic, The Great West, The Financial News (monthly,) Saturday Evening News.
St. Peter—St. Peter Herald, The St. Peter Tribune.
St. James—St. James Journal.
Sauk Centre—Sauk Centre Herald, The Avalanche.
Sauk Rapids—Sauk Rapids Free Press, Sauk Rapids Sentinel.
Shakopee—Shakopee Courier, Scott County Argus, Minnesota Post (German.)
Sherburn—The Sherburn Advance.
Slayton—The Slayton Gazette, Murray County Pioneer.
Sleepy Eye—The Sleepy Eye Dispatch, Sleepy Eye Herald.
Springfield—Springfield Adler, Der Sonntagsgaft,
Spring Valley—The Mercury.
Stillwater—Stillwater Democrat, Stillwater Daily Gazette, Stillwater Messenger, St. Croix Post (German), The Prison Mirror.
Taylors Falls—The Chisago County News, Taylors Falls Journal.
Two Harbors—Two Harbors Iron Port.
Verndale—Verndale Journal.
Wabasha—Wabasha Democrat.
Warren—Warren Sheaf, The Warren Register.
Waseca—The Waseca County Herald, Waseca Radical.
Waterville—The Waterville Advance.
Wells—The Wells Advocate.
Willmar—The Willmar Republican Gazette.
Windom—The Windom Reporter.
Winona—The Winona Daily Herald, The Winona Daily Republican, Westlicher Herald (German), Winona (a German Sunday paper), Winona Weekly Leader.
Winthrop—The Winthrop News.
Worthington—The Worthington Advance, The Worthington Globe.
Zumbrota—The News.

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REPORT.

The Minnesota Historical Society offers herewith to the legislature of the State, and to its own members and patrons, this record of its work, and of its management of the trust imposed upon it by its charter, with a feeling of gratitude and pride at the prosperity which has been vouchsafed to it since the beginning of its career. In presenting the splendid record of our twenty-four months' work, and of its results, notwithstanding the many drawbacks with which we have been hampered and impeded in that work, we congratulate the people of our State, for whose benefit that work has been carried on, that their generous provision for our support has borne such good fruits, in the building up of an institution which, under Providence, has become not only useful to the citizens of the State, but an honor to the commonwealth, whose enlightened and liberal policy of support has so successfully fostered it.

ORGANIZATION AND OBJECTS.

As this report may fall into the hands of some who are not familiar with the objects of the society, it may be well to explain them at the outset of this recital.

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the Territory, and incorporated by an act of the first territorial legislature, approved October 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the Territory; and its "library," then only a few volumes, was the first ever established in Minnesota. The original charter of the society stated its objects to be: "The collection and preservation of a library, mineralogical and geological specimens, Indian curiosities and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate the history and settlement of said Territory." The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities and other

things pertaining to the Social, Political and Natural History of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof, a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science and literature."

The amended charter of 1856 also enacted: "The said society shall be allowed to receive by bequest, donation, or purchase, any amount of property, real or personal, and shall hold the same in perpetuity, as a sacred trust for the uses and purposes of said society, without in any manner mortgaging, or by debts encumbering such property now in possession, or thereafter to be acquired; nor shall any such property be liable, in any manner or form whatever, for any debt contracted by said society; and the real property now vested in the society, in the city of St. Paul, and the building hereafter to be located thereon, as a hall for the same, and the personal property of the society, shall be exempt from taxation."

Thus the Minnesota Historical Society was established to act as the trustee for the management and care of its property, for the use and benefit of the people of the State.

The work of this society may therefore be formulated thus:

I. (1) The Collection, (2) the Preservation, and (3) the Publication of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

II. The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the most valuable departments of knowledge.

III. The diffusion among the citizens of the State, of useful knowledge.

It will thus be seen that important and responsible duties are laid upon this society. The following pages will show how we have discharged this trust.

LIBRARY INCREASE, AND PRESENT CONDITION.

The continual growth and prosperity of our library, is an occasion for gratitude on our part, and for some pride that our efforts and work are meeting with such success.

At the date of our last biennial report, Jan. 1, 1891, there were on our shelves, bound volumes, 19,205; unbound volumes, 22,157. Total, 41,362.

During 1891 there were added: Bound volumes, 1,497; unbound volumes, 1,680. Total increase, 1891, 3,177. Total in library, January 1, 1892: Bound volumes, 20,970; unbound, 23,837. Both together, 44,807.

During 1892 there were added: Bound volumes, 1,029; unbound volumes, 845. Both together, 1,874.

Making the total number of volumes in the library on January 1, 1893: Bound, 22,008, and unbound, 29,732. All together, 51,740.

The bound volumes acquired during 1891 and 1892 were from the following sources: Gift or exchange, 815; purchased, 866; by gift unbound, and bound by us, 533; purchased unbound, and bound by us, 312. All the pamphlets were gifts, except 204 purchased.

All the above books were duly catalogued, requiring the writing of 3,085 cards during 1891, and of 1,744 during 1892, making a total of cards in the catalogue January 1, 1893, of 52,606.

The foregoing figures are really encouraging. They show that we are steadily progressing, and that our institution is enjoying a fair share of prosperity, and is under good and judicious management. The growth of the library is one indication of that fact, and there are others, besides, as significant. One is, the great increase of the number of patrons of the library; the steady growing of the number of our donors; the enlarging of the value and usefulness of our splendid library, and the enhancing of the good will and confidence felt for us as a public institution; an institution organized and conducted for the benefit and use of the people of the State, from whose funds it draws its support.

The correspondence of the society is constantly increasing. In 1891, there were received 782 letters, and in 1892, 687. The letters written by the secretary were, in 1891, 793; in 1892, 850. These figures do not, however, include postal cards. Of the latter, there have been mailed, for various purposes, since January 1st, 1891, nearly 4,000. Letters are written to the secretary in great numbers, on many subjects, asking information on matters which sometimes have to be answered at considerable length, after no little research to procure the facts.

PRINCIPAL PURCHASES OF 1891 AND 1892.

The past two years have had a marked influence on our library, in the increase by purchases of valuable and rare books. We have steadily pursued our policy of securing such works as would enlarge and enrich our already extensive and strong department of *Americana*, and since our last biennial report, have made many and gratifying advances in that direction. Some mention of a few of the books which we have been fortunate enough to obtain, in that field, may not be out of place as show-

ing the kind of works which are sought by us to enrich our library, and render it more complete in the department of early American history.

Among them are a few rare books in Spanish, on the first voyages to the New World, and the earliest Spanish explorations. "Cartas de Indias" heads this list, a publication of the first documents, in the Archives of Madrid, on American discoveries, issued from the press in 1877, folio, costing us \$58; Navarette's work, *Coleccion de los viajes y descubrimientos*, 5 vols. Madrid, \$19; Padilla, *Historia de la fundacion y discursion de la provincia de Santiago de Mejico*, in folio, Paris, 1667, at \$34.50; *Historia de la conquista de Mejico*, by De Solis, 1829, 9 vols, \$24; also, *La historia del mondo nu vo*, by Benzoni, Venetia, 1572, \$8; Buckingham Smith's translation of the letter of Hernando de Soto, folio, \$18.40; Harris's recent work, the discovery of North America, purchased, and placed in sumptuous Russia binding, by that artist of bibliopegists, Ringer, all costing \$29.50. The Amsterdam edition of Hennepin also follows, at the price \$12. Next Doniol's great work, "*Participation de la France a l'Etablissement des Etats Unis d'Amerique*," of which four quarto vols. have been placed on our shelves, at a cost of \$32.

The supplement to Allibone's Dictionary of Authors, the publications of the American Economic Association, four volumes, the Century Dictionary, and Collom's Biographical Dictionary of Graduates of West Point, three volumes, are among the other works acquired. Also, the Religious Encyclopediæ of Schaff and Jackson, Wilson's Ornithology, three volumes, in fine condition, Natural History of the State of New York, twenty-two volumes; Pinkerton's Collection of Voyages, 1808; Goldsmith's Voyages of the English Nation to America, before 1600; Sparks' Diplomatic Correspondence of the American Revolution, twelve volumes; Foster's Alumni Oxonienses; Russell's History of America, bought in poor binding, which we have had clothed in rich covers; Genesis of the United States, by Brown; Great Cathedrals of the World; Fiske and Winsor's Works on Columbus, &c., &c. Just as this report is being closed we received a valuable invoice from London, containing, among other rare works, Almon's Parliamentary Register, or History of the Proceedings and Debates of the House of Commons (and House of Lords), during the fourteenth Parliament of Great Britain, 1774-1780, seventeen volumes; cost \$21. This is a valuable work, covering our revolutionary period. We

have also added the recently published Colonial Records of North Carolina, in ten volumes, and a fine set of the Journals of Congress, from 1800 to 1813, a copy once owned by Col. Benj. Tallmadge, an officer of the Revolution.

One of the most valuable accessions of the past biennium, has been a complete set of the publications of the "Haklvyt Society," of England, 79 volumes in all, in perfect condition, costing us \$176. A quite full set of the Almanach de Gotha, from 1839 to 1891, may also be added to this class.

These are only a tithe of the scores of valuable volumes which we have added to our treasures during the past two years, and are not mentioned with any idea of boasting of them, particularly, but of simply showing the kind of books which we are trying to get by purchase, and the prices which we are paying. Most of the works mentioned are in fine condition, and generally in choice binding. There are several other classes of books which we have also bought largely of. Among these are county histories, city histories, atlases of counties and of cities, atlases of states, local histories, works on the rebellion, travels in the United States, works on the North American Indians, on the American revolution, war of 1812, the Mexican war, and on American biography. And we should give, also, a prominent place among our desiderata to American genealogy, long one of our leading specialties, and in which we have had such splendid success.

Our Library Committee give the most vigilant attention to the catalogues of dealers in books, both in America and Europe. We buy regularly from nearly a hundred dealers, in most of the principal cities in the United States, and also in Europe. And we have generally been quite successful in getting our orders filled, making in many cases, good hauls of rare and desirable books, and at prices which are very satisfactory. Thus, by our vigilant watch of the book marts of the old and new world, and getting the choicest tidbits of the catalogues, we are steadily enriching our collection, and building up a splendid and valuable library. Still, it is slow work, selecting the books from a hundred sources, here and there, over a dozen countries, and among a hundred dealers, of several different tongues. It requires a large amount of correspondence and a close oversight into the catalogues, a minute study of bibliographies, and a good share of experience regarding the best editions, the probable desirability of the copy, the price, etc. We do not get, usually, many rare prizes in a year,

but by perseveringly "sticking to it," and promptly siezing the offered gem in season, we have made quite a good record in the line of successful buyers.

The limited means at our disposal, must explain why we do not increase faster by purchases than we have, though our gain from that source is nevertheless, respectable. Our outlay for books, maps, &c., the past two years, has been as follows: 1891, \$1,776; 1892, \$1,593. Since 1868, the year in which we commenced to purchase, we have expended in all, \$24,278.89 for purchase, and \$6,001.26 for binding. In view of our somewhat circumscribed finances, this is a very satisfactory showing, yet we cannot help wishing it were better, as we are placed in a sort of rivalry with other libraries, whose means enable them to far outdo us in securing the prized books for which each must seek in the book markets. The catalogues which we receive are crowded with desirable books, but we have to pick sparingly from those rich bills of fare. Libraries with longer purses generally take the plums. Our distance from the markets is another drawback to our better success, and also the fact that everything we buy, has to be selected from catalogues, and we do not have the advantage of personal inspection. Yet, with all these drawbacks, we have had a very gratifying success in securing rare and desirable books. In some orders, indeed, we have met with instances of remarkable good luck.

We are building up a library designed to contain useful books for the information of the public, and not to gratify any hobby, or carry out any idea. A book is valuable only, generally, for what can be got out of it. There are, of course, special collections which we ought to make, but for the present we content ourselves with laying out our money to the best advantage, so as to produce the best results for the least outlay. As there are first rate public libraries in each of the two cities, amply furnished with funds, and buying largely of popular works, it seems useless for us to go over the same field, or ground traversed by them, but we should endeavor to purchase books not sought after by them, so that the libraries of the two cities will thus cover a wider range of reading, than if all gleaned over the same field,

In some sense, we must confess, that our regrets that we cannot purchase more books, are useless, as elsewhere in this report, we dwell quite forcibly on the growing want of room in our apartments, and to the fact that very soon we will have absolutely no more space to shelve books. Still, it behooves

us to seize every chance to secure a valuable or rare book that comes within our reach, and if we cannot give it a place on our shelves, to pack it away in a bin, and wait for a more enlarged space for our library, where we can expand our bibliothecal treasures to the full of our bent.

GIFTS OF BOOKS, MAPS, MANUSCRIPTS, ETC.

We have to acknowledge, with real gratitude, the receipt, from an increasing list of donors, of a large and very valuable collection of books, pamphlets, maps, manuscripts, and other similar articles of library property, many of them of decided value, and all interesting and desirable. By this generosity and good will of our annually increasing *clientele* of patrons and collaborators, our library is receiving, continually, a steady stream of accessions, which is building up an institution of which the people of our State may be proud. We can, however, only designate some of the largest and most important of these contributions:

Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, Mass., whose generous and well selected gifts to this library for some years past have made his name familiar to the readers of our reports, continues his liberal contributions to our library, having given, since our report two years ago, fifteen bound volumes and 424 pamphlets, all of real value, and forming a most acceptable gift. Prof. Thos. H. Kirk, of St. Paul, a member of our executive council, has made us his debtor for forty-seven bound volumes and 171 pamphlets. R. O. Sweeny, of Duluth, also a member, sends us 173 bound volumes and 178 pamphlets, besides 1,080 numbers of scientific and natural history periodicals, which we have bound into volumes, and which forms a much prized addition to our library. J. Fletcher Williams, our librarian, has donated thirty-six bound and ninety-three unbound volumes.

From the Sibley estate, the devise of the testator, we have received fifty-two bound, and a number of unbound volumes, many of them of great value. Among them are six volumes of Porter's Spirit of the Times, a well-known sporting paper, published in New York, about forty years ago, and to which, for some years, Gen. Sibley was accustomed to write papers about field sports in the Northwest, some of which were afterwards copied into works on that topic, and rank high in the field of literature. Hon. Alex. Ramsey, president of the society, gives us 256 pamphlets, on national and political subjects. Hon. John D. Ludden also gives 139 pamphlets. H. H. Young,

St. Paul, gives 158 bound, and 134 unbound volumes. Prof. Theo. H. Lewis, the archæologist, sends us three bound and 111 unbound volumes, including a complete set of his own valuable writings on archæology. Hon. Albert S. Gatschet, the learned scholar in ethnology and Indian philology, of Washington city, has given us numerous pamphlets of his writings, and Mr. J. C. Pilling, of the Bureau of Ethnology, lays us under obligations for copies of his valuable works on bibliography of the Indian tongues. Wm. H. Grant, of St. Paul, one of our members, has contributed forty-one volumes of miscellaneous works, and also seventy-four volumes of that valuable serial, the New Hampshire Register, from 1812 to 1892, which Mr. Grant purchased expressly for this society, during what the eminent Dr. Dibdin would call "a bibliographical, antiquarian and picturesque tour" through his native state, to gratify his well known propensity for "browsing" into rare and curious things. This is a treasury of New Hampshire history, and sets so complete as the one given us, are very rare. Several of the officials of that state gave much aid to him in his efforts to pick up the more rare numbers. Mr. Grant also found, in his searches, in the depositories of historical material in Concord and other places, a set of that rare and valuable old journal, the New Hampshire Patriot, reaching from 1809 to 1856, in seventeen volumes, bound, and having succeeded in enlisting the interest of Gen. John B. Sanborn, and of Hon. Greenleaf Clark, both members, these three gentlemen generously contributed a sufficient sum to purchase the set of newspapers, and donated them to our society. We prize them very highly. Prof. Theodore H. Lewis gives us a very rare and interesting volume which he found in an old book store in a small town in this State. It is a volume of pamphlets published against Andrew Jackson, dating from about 1823 to 1832, furiously denunciative of "Old Hickory," and all of them very rare and curious. The volume is probably worth \$50.

Rev. John Wright, of St. Paul, whose studies on early American printed bibles is mentioned elsewhere, has given us a copy of the very rare German bible, printed by Christopher Saur, one of the first printers in America, issued from his press at Germantown, Pa., in 1776, and in a state of fine preservation. So rare is this edition of Saur's bible, that this copy is one of only eleven, in the libraries of America. Dr. Wright has also added to the above gift a copy of the very rare New Testament also printed by Saur, in Germantown, 1795. For these

generous tokens of Dr. Wright's good wishes for this society, we extend especial thanks. From Mrs. Geo. T. Barr, of Mankato, Minn., we have received a finely preserved set of the account of Lewis and Clarke's expedition to the western coast, 1814, the best edition published of that work. Also, the London edition of Catlin's Indian Tribes of North America, in fine condition. We return sincere thanks to the donor for these valuable works. From the Pennsylvania State Library, we have received fifty one bound volumes of state documents, and from the state library of Michigan, nineteen bound volumes. Hon. C. H. Smith, our state insurance commissioner, gives us nineteen bound volumes, and also several thousand numbers of insurance periodicals and magazines, which had been received in his office, dating from 1886 to 1892. The latter we have had bound into twenty-nine large volumes, and they form a very valuable collection on the subject to which they relate. Prof. H. W. Slack, St. Paul, gives us forty-nine pamphlets; Hon. L. G. Powers, labor commissioner, five bound volumes and fifty pamphlets. Frank Henderson, Kalamazoo, Mich., gives sixty-eight pamphlets, proceedings of secret societies; Irving Todd, Hastings, Minn., forty-seven pamphlets; J. L. Helm, of St. Paul, thirteen volumes, directories and gazetteers; Thomas Montgomery, grand secretary of the various Masonic grand bodies, in Minnesota, six volumes of the proceedings of said bodies. Hon. Charles F. Johnson, of Duluth, sends us thirty-five pamphlets and one bound volume. Mr. W. A. Burt Jones, formerly of St Paul, now of Helena, Mont., contributes a memoir, written by the donor, of his great-grandfather, John Rice Jones, the first practicing lawyer in Illinois, and also twenty-seven interesting pamphlets on the resources of Montana. From Mr. Don N. Norris, Minneapolis, we have received twenty-three bound and thirty-five unbound volumes, and from Mr. Eben S. Martin, same city, twelve bound and 112 unbound.

Two large and handsomely printed quarto volumes have been presented to us by two firms in this city, the C. W. Hackett Hardware Company, and the Farwell, Osmon & Kirk Hardware Company. Each of these costly and elegant volumes are gratifying evidences of the enterprise and liberality of the mercantile class of this city. The contents exhibit their stocks, and are illustrated by thousands of engravings.

Gov. Wm. R. Merriam has presented us with the sumptuously printed volume of the Centennial celebration of the inauguration of President Washington, in New York, in 1891, a rare piece of the printer's and engraver's art, gotten up at great expense. Mr. Henry M. Knox, of Minneapolis, gives us a sort of companion volume to the foregoing, a volume devoted to reproducing all the known engravings and paintings of Washington, and gotten up in the most elegant style, with biographies of the various artists whose works are embraced in the volume.

Gen. John B. Sanborn, a member, has procured for us from his own files, and by gift of another valued member, Judge Nelson, of the United States district court, a complete set of the briefs printed for the famous Middlings Purifier Flour Suit, which among other things, gives a complete description of the new process of flour making, as now practiced in the manufacturing cities of Minnesota, and which has wrought such a revolution in that great industry. Perhaps not more than three or four of these complete sets, which fill four large volumes, are in existence.

Rev. E. C. Mitchell, of St. Paul, has presented us with 18 volumes of city directories. From the Republican National Committee we have received 32 of their documents of the campaign of 1892, and from the Democratic Central Committee, a similar gift, 22 pamphlets. The American Protective Tariff League also donates to us 51 pamphlets. From the Department of the Interior we have received 76 volumes of the regular government documents. To Hon. W. D. Washburn, our senator, we are indebted for the set of the Congressional Record, for the past session, 8 volumes. The St. Paul Dispatch Printing Company also lays us under obligations for a copy of their elegantly printed volume of St. Paul and its Resources, while the Minneapolis Journal Company also generously send us a similar souvenir volume relating to the City of Minneapolis. From Capt. Benjamin H. Randall, of Winona, we have received a newspaper history written by himself of the Siege of Fort Ridgely, in 1862, which we have mounted in pamphlet form for preservation. Maj. T. M. Newson, our consul at Malaga, sends us a number of Spanish newspapers. Hon. M. K. Armstrong, of St. James, a member, gives us two large scrap books of cuttings relating to Dakota Territory, covering the period that the donor was delegate from that region in Congress. Col. John H. Stevens, of Minneapolis, also lays us under obliga-

tions for an elegant set of Gifford's "History of the Wars Occasioned by the French Revolution," a very rare and interesting work, printed in 1817.

Of maps, we have received several valuable ones. Mr. Edward Corning, of St. Paul, gives us an atlas of the world, date 1821. From the war department, we have received a number of maps intended to illustrate the battles of the rebellion, and to accompany the great series of volumes now being published by the government, on the official reports of the two armies. From the U. S. Geological Survey, we have received twelve maps. Mr. Brower, the commissioner of Itasca state park, gives us a copy of his elaborate map of the Itasca basin. And we have secured by purchase, a new and complete atlas of Minneapolis, as also one of St. Paul, the latter in two volumes, both just issued. For our regular library use we have purchased a new copy of Cram's atlas of 1892.

In manuscripts, we have some accessions which are quite notable. Mr. J. J. Dillery, of St. Paul, gives us a manuscript book kept by a fur trader, at Traverse de Sioux, on the Minnesota river, in 1840-42, containing the accounts of the Indians of that locality with him, and illustrating the peculiarities of the fur trade, in a very interesting manner. Among the accounts with Indians there recorded, we find one with the afterwards famous, or rather infamous Ink-pa duta, the cruel and desperate leader of the Spirit Lake massacre in 1857. On closer examining the curious volume, and comparing it with manuscripts known to be those of Martin McLeod, the well-known pioneer of Minnesota, it was found that the book was one kept by him while a trader at Traverse de Sioux, and a manuscript dairy kept by him at that time, which we secured subsequently, proves this fact. The book in question, was found at Fort Snelling, by the donor, while serving there as a soldier.

Mrs. Carli, the well-known pioneer of Stillwater, contributes a valuable manuscript written by E. Walcott, another old settler of the St. Croix valley, relating to historical events of the long ago in that locality. Mr. E. S. Radcliff, of Duluth, gives us an interesting manuscript. Rev. R. M. S. Pease contributes an autograph album, with many interesting autographs. Mr. A. J. Hill gives us a manuscript sermon preached on fast day, 1808, but we fear the donor omitted to read it prior to sending it to us. Hon. M. K. Armstrong, of St. James, a councilor of this society, has given us a manuscript dairy of Harney's ex-

pedition against the Indians in Nebraska, in 1857, kept by Capt. Todd, of the U. S. Army. It is illustrated with manuscript maps and forms quite a valuable addition to our historical material.

Hon. R. C. Judson, of Farmington, Minn., gives us two interesting autographs of two eminent American statesmen, Jackson and Webster, being letters written by them to Mr. Judson's father. We have had them framed.

One of our objects of collection has always been, gathering the published works of Minnesota authors. These will be very valuable in future, as materials for writing the literary history of our State. Our collection of these productions of the pens of our home authors, is pretty fair, but by no means complete, as it is difficult to keep the record of additions to the list, and undoubtedly there are quite a number of books by Minnesota authors issued from the press, of which we have no record whatever. But we design to continue our efforts to complete our set, until we have secured all of them. During the past two years, we have added a few. Among these are the delightful volume of life reminiscences by Rev. Augustin Ravoux, the pioneer missionary, full of valuable historical facts relating to early Minnesota history. Hans Mattson, formerly our secretary of state, has written a volume of personal reminiscences of pioneer days, entitled, "Minnen" published both in the Swede and English tongues. Dr. Melville C. Keith, of Minneapolis, has published 5 volumes of medical books, useful to all classes of readers. H. W. Holley, formerly a well known resident of Minnesota, but now a denizen of Spokane, Wash., sends us four interesting volumes of his writings, two of them, in verse. Hon. Hanford Lenox Gordon, has also wooed the muse, by the publication of a meritorious volume of verse, entitled, "The Feast of Virgins and Other Poems." Mr. Edward L. Fales, of St. Paul, has essayed the same perilous path, in a pleasing brochure entitled "The Pillars of the Temple."

Mr. C. A. Stevens, of Shakopee, has published a well-written history of Berdan's corps of Sharp Shooters, and Mr. Alonzo L. Brown, another Minnesotian, has published a valuable history of the Fourth Minnesota volunteers. Rev. John Wright, D. D., of St. Paul, has recently given to the light, an exceedingly interesting and instructive work, entitled Early Bibles of America, which has met with a cordial reception from the scholars of the country. Dr. W. is already contemplating a second edition, greatly enlarged. Our own assistant libra-

rian, J. B. Chaney, has published a very complete and well written history of Acker Post, G. A. R., of St. Paul, an accurate record of an honored institution.

The Dispatch Company, of St. Paul, have issued a large and finely illustrated volume, descriptive of this city, and containing numerous biographical sketches of old settlers, with their portraits, while the Minneapolis Journal Company has also issued a like volume for the city named. Handsomely executed atlases of Minneapolis and of St. Paul have been published, and also an atlas of Morrison County, Minn. The junior classes of nearly every one of our colleges have issued a junior annual, which are fine specimens of the typographical art, and the matter is well gotten up. Mr. Donnelly contributes another volume to his list—a brochure entitled “The Golden Bottle,” to punish him for which, most probably, Mr. E. W. Fish has written a biography of the disbeliever in Shakespeare, entitled “Donnelliana.” The State Military History Commission have published a handsome volume on the part which Minnesota took in the war for the Union, and also its Indian war. Hon. C. B. Elliott, of Minneapolis, contributed to the “Green Bag” a law periodical published in Boston, two well written papers, giving memoirs and portraits of the Supreme Bench of Minnesota. Prof. T. H. Kirk, of St. Paul, has also published an able treatise on “Elements of Civil Government of the State of Minnesota,” from the press of the Merrill Publishing Company.

Quite a number of breezy and sketchy books, written by Minnesota authors, within a few months past, have been published by the printing house of Price-McGill Co. Mr. Franklyn W. Lee, one of our rising young journalists, has written three clever ones; “A Shred of Lace,” “Senator Lars Erikson,” and “Two Men and a Girl.” Miss Minnie L. Armstrong, “A Study of Marriage.” By Oscar F. G. Day, “A Mistaken Identity.” By M. E. Torrance, “Hildegard’s Campaign.” By Clementine B. Allen, “The Last Delamar.” By S. S. Morton, “A Little Comedy of Errors.” By Jeanne M. Howell, “A Common Mistake.” While Mr. Squier L. Pierce, of St. Paul, has given to light a very readable book entitled “Di.”

There are undoubtedly other meritorious works written by Minnesota authors, within the past two years, that we have not secured the titles of, but the above list at least shows an increasing literary activity in this community. A new and ably-conducted magazine, called the “Literary Northwest,”

from the house of the Merrill Co., has been established within a few months to act as a medium to the growing literary taste of the great Northwest.

Will not our friends and patrons aid us in our endeavor to collect and preserve all the productions of Minnesota pens? It is a work which appeals to our state pride, and is a worthy object.

HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS ADDED.

Since our last report we have added to our store of manuscripts, some of much value and interest, relating to events or persons of Minnesota history. One of the most important of these is a manuscript diary kept by Martin McLeod, the fur trader, as far back as 1837, and containing many thrilling recitals of adventures undergone by him in the pioneer days. Our secretary copied this valuable manuscript in full, and will, whenever his time permits, prepare a chapter or two from its pages for one of our future volumes of collections. The trader's account book kept by McLeod is mentioned elsewhere. We have also been presented by the venerable missionary to the Dakotas, Rev. Samuel William Pond, whose death occurred some months ago, with two manuscript volumes of the Dakota-English and English-Dakota Dictionary, which was the joint work of himself, the late Dr. S. R. Riggs, and of the late Gideon H. Pond, compiled by them in the early days of their missionary labors, and of which they each had a copy. We also secured by the bequest of our late president, Gen. Henry H. Sibley, a manuscript volume of the English-Dakota lexicon, written for the donor, by Dr. Riggs, about the year 1835 or 1836, probably to aid the general in learning the Dakota tongue. This volume is neatly written and bound, and is an interesting relic of our pioneer days, as well as of the writer and the donor of the volume. Still again we have to acknowledge the gift of a manuscript volume of the Dakota dictionary, evidently an exact copy of the volume given us by Mr. Pond. This manuscript was found by Mr. A. E. Messenger, an old settler, in a house occupied by him at Kaposia, and which house had been used as the old mission house by the Methodist missionaries, Kavanaugh and Pope, who occupied the same during their labors among the Indians, in the years 1838-1841. Mr. Messenger found the volume in an attic of the house, where it had been placed many years before by its owners and forgotten. Thus this society now possesses three manuscript copies of the Dakota lexicon, written by our

reverend missionaries, at the beginning of their self-sacrificing labors for the conversion of the savages. We prize very them highly, too.

Rev. Samuel W. Pond also prepared during the last few years of his life, although much of the time suffering from infirmity, a very full and valuable work on the religion, customs, daily life and superstitions of the Dakota race, with which he had mingled so many years, and knew as thoroughly as any other missionary who ever dwelt in such close contact with them. This work he wrote in response to an urgent request from Mr. Williams, secretary of this society, in the year 1871, who believed Mr. Pond had peculiar fitness for writing such a work, and that it was a duty that he owed to his fellow men to place on record his extensive and accurate knowledge of the red man. The work was completed but a short time prior to his death, and the manuscript is in the possession of his son, Samuel W. Pond, Jr., of Minneapolis, who has kindly promised us its use whenever we are desirous of publishing it, which we have resolved to do, as soon as we can make the necessary arrangements therefor. This work will make a volume of perhaps 500 pages, and will beyond doubt be found to be the most valuable and entertaining work on the Dakota race which has ever been penned. We are anxious to see it in print.

During the past year Andrew R. Tully, late of New York, who was one of the family, three members of whom were murdered by the Sioux near Grand Forks, in the year 1823, and who, with his infant brother, John Tully, were taken captive by the savages, and were rescued soon after by Col. Snelling, died in New York. The events narrated are of great interest, and our secretary has accumulated enough material to form a memoir of the Tullys, which it is our intention to insert in our next volume of published collections.

From Herman Haupt, Jr., of Chicago, a corresponding member, we have received a manuscript account of his exploration of the old rifle pits used by the Ojibwas, on the Mississippi river, opposite the mouth of the Crow Wing, in attacking a raiding party of Sioux, and another paper giving valuable descriptions of aboriginal implements and fabrics.

The late president of this society, Gen. Sibley, left at his death, a very large and valuable collection of correspondence, papers, manuscript books, etc., which relate to events in the Northwest, back as far as 1826. A more interesting set of private papers covering that period, has not, perhaps, been pre-

served by any one connected with the events themselves, and it was with much pleasure that we heard that his heirs announced their intention to donate them to this society. There are perhaps thousands of them, embracing autograph letters from prominent pioneers of the Northwest, of whom doubtless the only autographs in existence are those in this collection. As soon as the family and private letters can be separated from the others, which task is in progress by his sons, the manuscripts will be placed in our hands, and they will be mounted in file books and properly indexed. This set of papers will form a most valuable addition to our manuscript collection, and cover much the same period as the Taliaferro manuscripts, spoken of in previous reports. In this connection it may be remarked that those papers have been bound into four volumes, and carefully indexed.

Another very valuable set of autographs has recently been given us by Col. John H. Stevens, the well known pioneer of Minneapolis, consisting of over 800 letters, of pioneers and public men of the State, reaching back to the period prior to the Mexican war. These contain a vast amount of data for the early history of Minnesota, the Indian war period, and the political movements of pioneer days. When arranged and indexed, as they will be soon, the Stevens Papers will form one of the most interesting departments of our materials for Minnesota history.

Mrs. Carli, of Stillwater, the first female settler in the St. Croix Valley, has sent us a manuscript relating to early days on the St. Croix, accompanied by a relic of the sanguinary contest of Battle Hollow. Mrs. Elizabeth T. Ayer, now of Belle Prairie, Minn, contributes a manuscript written by herself, giving facts regarding the history of the Pokegama Mission, of which we had not been hitherto in possession. Mrs. Ayer also contributes a very entertaining manuscript account of the early days of the Red River Settlement. A short time since, the Society purchased from Mrs. Eli Pettijohn, an old resident of this State, a lengthy manuscript written by her father, Philander Prescott, one of the oldest fur traders of the Northwest, whose recollections reached back to a period prior to the building of Ft. Snelling. This manuscript details thousands of incidents of the long ago, biographical facts regarding early pioneers, of whom we had had no other data hitherto, and a large amount of valuable information regarding the Sioux Indians, with whom Prescott lived many years, and

marrying a member of the race. As soon as the manuscript can be revised and annotated by our secretary, it will be published in our collections.*

Some progress has been made to record the lives of our earliest pioneers. Our secretary, recently, secured materials for a complete memoir of Hazen Mooers, one of the earliest fur traders in Minnesota, which has been written up and placed on file. He also wrote a full biography of the late Alpheus Robert French, at the time of his death the oldest living settler in the State, who came to Ft. Snelling in 1826, and was a veteran of four wars. He has been prevented from giving as much attention to this important department of our work, by the fact that the rapid increase of the library work so taxes his time, as to leave but little for purely historical research in the field mentioned.

HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM.

During 1891-92, we have received a considerable number of valuable contributions to our museum, some of which are interesting and instructive. One of the truly historical relics, given to us by Caleb Horsford, of Rich Valley, Minn., is an U. S. musket, once carried by a Sioux Indian, who was killed at the battle of Wood Lake, Minn., in 1862, by Nich. Kessel, of the 7th Minn., vols. Mr. C. E. Sawyer, St. Paul, donates a fragment of the rope with which Goheen, the murderer, was hung at Fergus Falls, 1891. J. F. Williams, adds to our collection, an iron arrow head, which was shot into the body of a member of Brackett's Battalion, during a fight with the Sioux on the Missouri river, 1864, and was withdrawn by a comrade, after the wounded soldier's death, who afterwards gave it to Mr. Williams. Mr. W. also gives several relics from the battle field of Ft. Henry, and Ft. Moultrie, and five flint weapons, from

*We give, below, an incident of early days, as a specimen of Prescott's reminiscences. It narrates a scene at Fort Snelling in 1825:

During the last Spring, a duel was fought between Lieut. Hunter and Col. Snelling's son, Joseph. The Colonel heard that the parties had gone out to fight, and sent a guard out and stopped them. The parties moved off, and the guard went home, and the combatants met in another place, and exchanged shots. Snelling had the end of his five fingers shot off. This ended the strife, and they went home. Some time after this, another duel was fought between Lieut. Baxley and Capt. Leonard. They fired some six or eight shots apiece. Lieut. Baxley got one shot the most. Capt. Leonard's second had forgot to cock his pistol, but Lieut. Baxley missed fire. Seconds interfered and tried to reconcile matters, but nothing would or could be done satisfactorily, and at it they went again. I believe the eighth shot Lieut. Baxley's ball struck Capt. Leonard in the corner of the eye, near the temple, but did not kill him, although it came very near it. Lieut. Baxley had 32 ball holes through his clothes, that did not draw blood once. Capt. Leonard was sutler for the fort. He was boarding with Lieut. Baxley, and was a very wicked man, and it was for some bad language used by him before Mrs. Baxley that brought on the trouble.

Dover, Tenn. From Herman Haupt, Jr., of Chicago, a corresponding member of the society, we have had the gift of a number of relics of the mound builders, gathered by himself from mounds in Wis. and Minn. during extensive researches made in those states. From Mr. D. C. Fritsch, of St. Paul, a stone hammer, found in Pipestone county. Hon. S. R. Thayer, of Minneapolis, U. S. Minister to The Hague, sends us three bronze coins, or medals, which were stricken by the Kingdom of the Netherlands, in commemoration of historical events. Robert Inglis, of Bayfield, sends us a pack saddle, which was used by the surveying party which ran the line of the Northern Pacific railroad, across the continent, in 1871. Hon. Wm. R. Marshall donates a reminder of Minnesota's wild cat currency days, in the shape of \$1 bank bill of the State Bank of Austin, Minn., date 1858. Maj. T. M. Newson, our U. S. Consul at Malaga, in Spain, sends a curious Spanish coin, stricken for a historical memento; also, several packages of Malaga daily papers.

Mr. Leedom Sharpe, of St. Paul, contributes a framed lottery ticket, dated Philadelphia, 1804. Hon. Moses K. Armstrong, adds to our museum a chair and desk, once used by himself in Congress, from 1861 to 1865. The Wyoming Historical Society of Wilkesbarre, Pa., gives us a medal stricken in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Wyoming massacre. Hon. Alex. Ramsey, several admission tickets to the Republican National convention at Minneapolis, in 1892.

Mr. Henry Hunt Snelling, of Cornwall, N. Y., sends a pair of colonel's epaulettes, worn by the late Col. Josiah Snelling, during his army service from 1810 to 1826. Two rare coins also accompany the epaulettes.

Several valuable and interesting additions to our picture gallery have also been made since our last report. Mrs. H. W. Haines, of Newport, Minn., donates a handsomely executed oil portrait of Gen. John C. Fremont, made during his candidacy for the presidency of the U. S. in 1856. This fine likeness was painted by Mr. Francis G. Haines, a young American artist, whose ability gave promise of a brilliant career, but was prematurely terminated by death before he had attained the full zenith of the fame he could have won, had his life been prolonged. Capt. Russell Blakeley, of St. Paul, the old and valued member of this society, gives us a handsome and faithfully executed painting of Fort Snelling, made about 1851, by an artist whose name is not now recalled. Mr. Snelling, whose

gift of the Snelling epaulettes was noted above, has also made our society his debtor by a gift of framed portraits of Capt. James Snelling, U. S. A., (a son of Col. Snelling), and of the donor, H. H. Snelling, and of his wife, Mrs. Anna L. Snelling, the authoress. The portraits of Capt. and Mrs. Snelling are water color paintings and have evidently been executed by a skillful artist. Mr. Snelling, himself, the donor, was for many years a talented artist, but at a later date lost his sight entirely and is now at an advanced age almost destitute. We tender him, in connection with our very grateful thanks for his generous gifts, our heartfelt sympathies in his affliction. In addition to the above portraits, Mr. Snelling also sends two elegantly executed medallions of Henry Clay and Daniel Webster, executed by the well-known artist, D. F. Jones, of New York in 1850. They are handsomely framed.

Hon. C. H. Smith, state insurance commissioner, gives us a framed portrait of the late Ex-Gov. Miller, and an autograph of the same. From the family of the late Elias F. Drake, a member of this society, we have received his framed portrait. Mr. Richard Gesel, of Alma, Wis., has also sent us a framed group picture of the early settlers of Buffalo county, Wis. Mr. E. A. Bromley, of Minneapolis, contributes a group photographic picture of citizens. From Prof. Winchell, we have received two photographs of the explorer Nicollet. From Mr. Charles E. Mayo, vice president of the society, a photograph of himself. From Mr. D. W. Wellman, of Frazee, Minn., a photo group picture of the great industrial parade at Minneapolis. From Mr. B. F. Irvine, St. Paul, a photo group picture of old settlers of Minnesota. Mr. S. S. Eaton, Jr., St. Paul, gives us a valuable and rare steel engraving by Boydel, of the circumcision, after Guido Reni's great painting. Mr. J. F. Williams gives two interior photographic views of the rooms of the Minnesota Historical Society. The directors of the World's Fair, Chicago, have sent us a fine and striking chromo-lithograph view of the fair grounds. E. C. Starkey, St. Paul, gives a framed ornamental roll and souvenir of the junior pioneers of Ramsey county. Mrs. C. T. Whitney, of St. Paul, gives a daguerrotype view of St. Anthony Falls, taken by the late Charles T. Whitney, an early artist of this state, in 1852. From C. E. Mayo, we have a steel engraving of St. Paul in 1853. Hon. Charles E. Flandrau has contributed five photographic views of the Memorial Battle Monument recently erected in New Ulm, in honor of the siege of that town by the savages

in 1862. Mrs. Angelina Hinckley, now of Mankato, (formerly Mrs. Henry Jackson, of St. Paul) has sent us two drawings, one of the old log cabin in which the first post office in St. Paul was held, in 1843, and the other the first post office building in Mankato.

Mr. Charles M. McCluer, of Stillwater, is now having painted by the artist Carling, of St. Paul, a life-sized portrait of his father, the late Wm. M. McCluer, for many years a judge of the district court of the first judicial district, which we hope to have on our walls soon. Mr. Henry L. Moss, of St. Paul, has also ordered of Carling, a life sized portrait of himself, which we will have in hand soon.

Mrs. Abigail Sharpe, of Spirit Lake, Iowa, who is better known as Miss Gardner, the Indian captive of the Spirit Lake massacre of 1857, contributes to our collection three photographs of scenes and persons connected with that historic event. Mr. Charles Zimmerman, of St. Paul, the well-known photographic artist, sends us a fine photo of the old city hall, in this city, which was demolished in 1891. Mr. C. M. Burton, Detroit, Michigan, sends us an engraving of the Steamer Walk-in-the-Water, the first steamer on the northern lakes.

FURTHER REMARKS ON OUR MUSEUM OF HISTORICAL AND ARCHÆOLOGICAL CURIOSITIES.

Our museum department perhaps increases more slowly than any other of the sections of our collections. The reason of this is the want of room to store, and especially to display, the curios belonging to it. At present it is displayed in small and unsuitable cases, and in a portion of the rooms where the light is very deficient, so that it is difficult for visitors to see the relics. There is absolutely no more space to place any more show cases, and practically, our museum work is at a stand-still for the present. This is unfortunate, as we could do such useful and valuable work in this department if we had the space to devote to it. We are continually offered desirable curios, but are compelled to decline them, as we are not in possession even of storage room at present. In fact, we are afraid that we will soon be compelled to lay aside our museum entirely, to give place to book cases, as our space is becoming quite exhausted.

At the date of the disastrous fire which so nearly destroyed our entire possessions, (March 1, 1881) we lost a museum of historical and archæological curiosities of great extent and

variety, which we had been years in gathering and many of whose relics were entirely unique. They represented the weapons, costumes, implements and ornaments of the Indian tribes which once occupied this State, and was a very well-selected collection of the kind. There were also a quantity of mound builders' relics and objects showing the early life in this region. This fine museum, worth at least \$10,000, was entirely lost; not by fire merely, but by theft of the throng which, under pretense of aiding the saving of the specimens, carried off the finest of them, hardly one of which was ever recovered.

This is the more unfortunate, as we are able to now replace the lost specimens only to a partial degree. When we gathered them, the red races were still with us, and their implements, weapons, etc., were plenty. Now, the native races are almost extinct in this State, and it is difficult to secure good specimens of their fabrics. Thousands of articles, illustrating their life and customs, have been siezed by eager tourists, and been taken to enrich the collections of eastern states, while our own is but poorly supplied with them. And, even if we now had the means to replace our lost collection, we have absolutely no space, to give it a resting place, in our contracted apartments.

At one time, it would have been easy to have made extensive and rich gatherings regarding the aborigines, and especially in the line of personal sketches of their chiefs and noted warriors. Such accounts would, at some day, have been read by those who follow us, with the keenest interest. But the want of means to carry out such a plan, prevented the society from doing this to any great extent, and thus a great quantity of irreplaceable information, was lost. Nearly every one who formerly knew the principal dignitaries of the two tribes which once occupied our State, are now dead, and thus that source of information is cut off. Even some materials on this interesting topics, which had been collected by our secretary, were destroyed by the fire of 1881.

But a few years ago, the "Red River Cart," a once familiar object to the old settler, were as plenty as grasshoppers, almost. Now, it is an "extinct" species. Only one specimen of that curious piece of architecture, is known to exist in this State, and is preserved as a relic of our early days, which it certainly is. A Red river dog sledge, which we had, was burned up in the capitol fire, as also a very handsome birch bark canoe.

About the period of our last biennial report, Mr. H. H. Snelling, whose appreciated gifts are mentioned elsewhere, offered to this society a sword, once owned by his father, Col. Josiah Snelling, and which was carried by him undoubtedly at the battle of Tippecanoe, and during the movements of Hull's army at Detroit, and in Canada, in 1812. The sword had also revolutionary associations, having belonged to Col. Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and was undoubtedly carried by him in that memorable struggle. Subsequent to the revolution, he gave it to Col. Snelling, in whose possession it remained until his death. Mr. Snelling offered to sell this historical weapon to this society for the sum of \$1,000, saying that he much regretted that he could not donate it instead, but that poverty had so pressed him, owing to total blindness, that he did not feel able to make such a gift. As the society had no funds to make such a large purchase, it was agreed to request the legislature, then in session, to make an appropriation for its purchase. A bill to that effect was introduced by Hon. John B. Sanborn, a member of this society, and also a member of the Minnesota state senate, and its passage advocated by the mover with great earnestness. The measure would have been adopted had not the great pressure of business toward the close of the session, prevented the senate from reaching the bill on its file. It is the intention of the society to urge its passage again, at the approaching session, and it will then undoubtedly meet with success.

Hon. Moses K. Armstrong, now of St. James, Minn., and who was delegate from Dakota Territory from 1871 to 1875, donates a relic of congress of those days, being the desk and chair used by him during his membership, the halls having been refurnished in the period of his service.

Despite the fact noted above, that the portion of our rooms devoted to the museum are very poorly lighted, and crowded, the number of persons visiting it is surprising. It indicates the throng which would resort there, if our apartments were convenient and well lighted. And it is as well that no more visit it, as the cabinets are in such close contiguity to the reading room, that the noise of the conversation of the sight-seers disturbs the readers very much, sometimes. Our rule, conspicuously posted up, "no loud talking," is not much observed by the tourist class, generally. In the projected building which we hope to occupy, ere long, there must be a spacious hall devoted to the museum, entirely, or to that and our picture

gallery in common. As it is now, much time of our librarians is taken up by acting as "showmen," a demand that cannot be well evaded oftentimes, but it is found that much time can be spent in answering questions of no great importance, asked by those inspecting our rooms and its contents.

Some of the curiosities of the present day, though not much value now, will, in the future, be priced at sums that we can hardly imagine. A few weeks ago, a person exhibited in our rooms, a badge printed on silk, faded, that was worn in 1832, by a member of a whig club. It had a medallion of Clay, and the motto, "Protection to American Industry." This badge is valued at \$50. So, many of our curios will reach fabulous prices in future years.

Mr. A. L. Heikes, proprietor of the Lake Review, Osakis, Minn., claims to have the first printing press ever brought to Minnesota and on which the first number of the Minnesota Pioneer, in 1849, was printed by James M. Goodhue. Mr. John C. Terry, of St. Paul, who worked on the press in the above year, says it is the genuine Goodhue press. Mr. Heikes offers it to this society, for sale, but we now have no room to keep it on exhibition.

OUR NEWSPAPER COLLECTION.

Our newspaper department has grown with surprising rapidity since our last report. It has attained proportions that give us pride and satisfaction. If this society had never done any other work than collect our remarkable library of newspapers, it would have entitled those who achieved it, to the everlasting gratitude of the people of the State, and repaid the latter for every cent of its outlay. There are but few collections of newspapers in the Union, which are larger and more valuable than ours, and certainly none where more care and attention is bestowed on the collection and preservation of the issues of the press. Gentlemen from other states, or connected with other libraries, visiting this one, have been loud in their praises of our newspaper collection, and the systematic manner in which it is conducted. And one of our Minnesota journalists wrote to us: "The publishers of Minnesota owe you a great debt for your care in these matters."

Since our last report, our department of newspapers has increased greatly. We have added 322 bound volumes to it. Our total number of volumes now is 2,353. This is a direct result of methodical and vigorous efforts to collect them. Finding

that, notwithstanding our repeated solicitations to newspaper publishers in a general way, to send us their papers to preserve, that there were still many which we did not get, we determined on a more systematic mode. Manuscript letters to the number of over two hundred were written by the secretary, one to every publisher in Minnesota, whose address could be obtained, and they were informed of the efforts we were making to make our collection complete, and also informed as to the value, to themselves, of having a complete file of their journals preserved in a fire proof vault where it would be absolutely secure from destruction by fire, as many publishers lose their files by fire, and thus every copy of their paper perishes. These efforts were rewarded by a generous response from the journalists of the State. A steady increase of the number of papers sent us began, and continued until we had more than doubled our list. The following will show the increase during some months; July, 1890, 135; Sept. 25, 1890, 196; Oct. 20, 1890, 240; April, 1891, 303; May 19, 1891, 321; November 14, 1892, 355; thus will be seen the result of well directed efforts to interest the newspaper publishers in the value of having their files kept in a safe depository.

THE WORK ENTAILED BY THIS DEPARTMENT.

The large increase of our newspaper department, however, proportionally increased the amount of work necessary to properly receive and care for them. The labor of the assistant librarian, who has charge of that department, was more than doubled. Indeed, it became necessary for him to devote almost all of his time to that work. The portion of our rooms where the newspapers are cared for, became crowded with the new stacks of "pigeon holes" rendered necessary for so many new papers. This also threw on the chief librarian additional duties, which his assistant had formerly performed, but could not now do. The object in mentioning these apparently unimportant details, is only to show the amount of our time and efforts, which the newspaper department has caused us to expend.

The amount of labor which has to be spent on this department would hardly be understood by any one, except one who has had some experience in that work. The flimsy nature of the paper used by newspapers now-a-days, has been referred to in our previous reports. Its quality is steadily deteriorating, and a considerable proportion of the newspapers which we take, reach us in a very dilapidated state, being torn, and some

very badly so. All these must be carefully repaired with transparent paper, and this, where there are so many, consumes a great deal of time. Then many of the papers, especially the large dailies, which consist of several leaves, reach us badly registered, so that if bound in that shape, the edges of the printed matter would often be cut away. They have to be taken apart, often by saturating the paste, straightened out, and repasted and refolded. Then, many times, numbers are missing. These *hiati* are carefully noted, and a card is addressed to the publisher requesting another copy. Often this meets no reply, and a second request must be sent out. Monthly, in the case of the dailies, the files must be collated, and, if complete, tied up in packages. At regular intervals they are dispatched to the bindery. On the return from the binder, each volume must be carefully examined to see whether the papers are all fastened securely, and arranged in the proper chronological order. This description of the various processes that the papers have to go through, will give some idea of the amount of time which has to be expended on our newspaper department.

During the earliest days of the society its want of means, and of apartments to preserve a library, prevented it from gathering newspapers just at a period when, if we had them now, they would be of priceless value. Still, our collection of those days is, nevertheless, a fair one.

THE VALUE OF OUR NEWSPAPER COLLECTION.

But its great value fully compensates for all that outlay of labor and money. Had we done no other work than this, in return for all our expense, the money would have been well expended, and the gatherings collected well worth the outlay. We have accumulated a collection of material for the history of the State and its people, that could, by no means, be at all approximated, and which must forever be unique and of priceless value. The cost, whatever, it may be, is not to be weighed against the incalculable value of the collection. And it may be remarked, the papers, excepting three from outside the State, are all sent to us free, thus saving us an outlay of many hundred dollars, and constituting a gift of that much to the people of our State.

When the incompleteness of our files is commented on by searchers, our librarians are accustomed to remark, that the wonder is, rather, that we have anything, considering the fires, and other casualties which we have endured.

If, in years to come, any one finds fault with us that our files are not complete, we are not to blame for the defects. We have used every possible exertion to get them all.

It is easy to perceive how valuable our newspaper volumes will become in a few years, simply because they will be the only files of most of the papers in existence. Perhaps many of them are worth \$100 each at the present time, and this value must enhance as years go by. In libraries all books that are "unique," that is, of which there is no other copy in the world, must become priceless. Most of our newspaper volumes are of this kind, no other copy existing. The prices of old newspaper files are sometimes very extravagant. As much as \$150 have been paid for volumes of revolutionary papers. There are many of our unique files, which, a century from now, will be priced at the same figure.

No other department of our library is so much used as the newspapers, and serve such a variety of needs. They are in daily use and for an infinite variety of purposes. The varied nature of their contents explains this. They are the most complete chronicle of the times. They record everything. A century or so ago, the papers had but meagre supply of news. Now they are insatiable in their pursuit of it. And the ability and vigilance with which they are edited, make them valuable and complete chroniclers of current events. There are innumerable facts of all kinds, which are only recorded in newspapers. If any reader of this report has imbibed the idea that old newspapers have no value, he should serve a short term in a library like this. The kinds of information for which they are searched are sometimes very curious, and show the useful nature of their contents. Many instances could be narrated of these occurrences, which would be very interesting, but a single one must suffice:

In 1856, Mr. Thomas B. Hunt, a young and able man, was a representative from Scott county, in the Minnesota legislature. While stopping in St. Paul, at the American House, he was married to a young lady who was also a boarder there. At that period, there were no records kept of marriages, but fortunately it was published in one of the city papers. Mr. Hunt subsequently enlisted in the Fourth Minnesota Vols., and after the close of the war was commissioned a captain in the regular army. Years passed away. It became necessary for him to have some legal proof of his marriage. Capt. Hunt was, in 1886, stationed at Washington. He wrote to the secretary of

this society, stating the fact of the publication of the marriage, in March, 1856, and requested that the secretary search for the advertisement among our files of newspapers, and if found, make a certified copy of it and send it to him. This was done, the advertisement found, and the certified copy sent to Capt. Hunt. It undoubtedly filled the purpose for which it was sought. It might be added that Capt. Hunt died in the service a few months ago.

The generous assistance given to us by the publishers of Minnesota, in sending to us their files free, deserves the acknowledgment of the people for whose benefit this gift is made. The interest taken in our work by them, is creditable, and shows that they appreciate the efforts we are making to preserve the results of their own work. Many of them, convinced of the advantage of having their files preserved so safely as we are doing it, have sent us their back volumes, for us to keep securely.

MUTILATION OF NEWSPAPER VOLUMES.

All libraries have had reason to complain of the mutilating of newspaper files, by persons using them. This class of books seems to be exposed to that kind of mutilation, more than any other. To such a degree has it sometimes reached, that libraries have been compelled to provide that no newspaper volume could be used by any one, except in the immediate presence of an attendant. It is not possible to enforce such a rule in this library at the present time, however, as our working force is too limited. At one of our meetings, not long ago, a member gave an account of the destruction, by a party who was interested in destroying the evidence contained in a newspaper advertisement, which affected the title of valuable property, of every copy of said advertisement in all the files of the paper containing it. Our own was one which suffered from this shameful plot. There is a statute law severely punishing such an offense, but its commission is so easy, if secretly managed, that it is not easy to prevent it. Other means, more dishonorable, are resorted to, to accomplish the same end. Not long ago, a person offered our librarian a bribe of fifty dollars, if he would turn his back a moment and not see the party tear from a newspaper volume, a leaf containing an article which he wished to obliterate.

THE LARGE USE MADE OF NEWSPAPER VOLUMES.

On various occasions persons have spent several weeks in searching our newspaper volumes for some needed information. One young lady, an employe of some office, spent many days searching for an advertisement. Rev. Dr. Tanner, the historian of the Episcopal church in Minnesota, has carefully searched perhaps 150 volumes. Prof. Goodhue, of Carlton College, searched perhaps seventy-five of them for material to prepare a history of the State Teachers' Association. These are but few of the many instances which serve to illustrate the value of our newspaper collection as a great depository of valuable facts. We have received, a thousand times, the warmest expressions of gladness from persons who have found, after searching for them, facts of great value to them.

Searchers into newspaper volumes generally complain at the time they have to spend in fruitless searches. The want of indexes is generally commented upon. It is refreshing to know that one library, at least, has means to index their newspapers. That is the Massachusetts state library, which has recently received from the state treasury, \$12,000 for indexing their files.

In addition to our Minnesota journals, we have quite a number of others, some of them over 200 years old. We only subscribe for three dailies outside our own state, respectively at New York, Chicago and San Francisco. This is done for the purpose of getting the views of other sections, and of more fully recording their history. Our only regret is that we have not the means to subscribe for a large number of these papers in the principal cities of the union. In a few years such a collection would become of untold value. From inquiries made by our librarian at a number of other libraries in different states, he gained the idea that libraries, generally do not give enough care and effort to collecting papers. A few of the best libraries, well equipped with funds, do so, but it is feared that a large proportion of journals published disappear entirely, not a file of any completeness being saved, in any manner, for the use of generations who are to follow, who will search in vain for the newspaper records which have not been saved.

During the past two years, our librarian made a very interesting collection of newspapers, from almost every country in the world, where they are published at all, by securing the aid of our U. S. ministers and consuls. Many of these are very curious and interesting, and give a good idea of journalism in foreign lands.

The total number of bound volumes of newspapers which we have now, is 2,353. Our fire-proof vault is crowded to its utmost capacity, and we are devising an additional vault, to be constructed under the main hall and front steps of the capitol building. This would hold about 1,000 more bound volumes, and might last until a new building for our use, is constructed.

In closing our remarks on our newspaper department, we take this occasion to thank the publishers who have so generously contributed their journals to our library, and by this enlightened policy, built up in our State, such a splendid monument to their own profession, and such a notable record of our own times.

THE INCREASING USE AND USEFULNESS OF OUR LIBRARY.

The use of this library is extending with rapid proportions. Our *clientèle* of patrons, and of users of our collection, increases daily, and for an also constantly increasing number of subjects of study and investigation. The library is used equally by the citizens of the two cities, and the people of all the State, indeed, resort to it for information, because in many towns of the State there is no library, or no good one, and those wishing extensive research on any topic, must seek a library where the supply of works covering the field in which they wish to make investigations, is quite complete. On every thing relating to State history, archives, statistics, proceedings of societies, or bodies, as well as the great body of facts such as can alone be found in newspapers, those desiring that information, must resort to this library. The cities are now brought so near together by cheap and rapid transportation facilities, that as far as the library advantages are concerned, the libraries of one are used interchangeably with those of the other. The students of the state university use this library very freely, sometimes coming in considerable groups, especially when some specific thesis or topic is given to them to study, and it is requisite to seek our alcoves to find the needed text books on said topic. Sometimes these visits of parties of students tax the attendance force of the library to its utmost, as we are not well prepared at now, either as regards our staff, or reading rooms, to accommodate many investigators at one time, but in no case have our patrons been unable to get the works, or material, necessary to pursue their studies with. It has been a pleasing fact that we have been able, from our stores of treatises, and works on special topics, to extend to scholars the helping hand so often, and with such fruitful results.

Our library has also been extensively used by the scholars of the St. Paul high school, by those of Hamline university, and of Macalester college, all three located in this city, in cases where they needed books on certain topics which could not, in the very nature of the case, be furnished by the libraries of their respective institutions. Many of the inquiries made and searches undertaken, were upon unusual and peculiar topics, which our catalogue, complete as it is, did not throw much light on, and had to be furnished by the librarian, by dint of his familiarity with the material in the library, and information regarding out-of-the-way things, after laborious search. The use, by the students of four institutions of learning in our vicinity, shows the value of such a collection in this central location, and the necessity of more fully than it has yet been, being supplied with means and resources to meet such imperious demands on its facilities, and enable it to carry on its work in a better manner than at present.

The University Extension movement has also increased the number of seekers after facts and knowledge on various useful topics, and the Chautauqua courses of study has likewise influenced a still extended circle of readers to resort to our stores of published lore. Reading and historical clubs have also been established. All these facts point to the growing importance of public libraries, while they forcibly make felt the insufficiency of the equipments and resources of nearly every library in our State.

Another large class of readers have been evolved from the two societies—the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution. These are spoken of more fully in another place.

Still, it cannot be denied that the scholar class is not yet a very large one, in a community like this, where almost everybody is under the thralldom of toil for the necessities of life, and have but little spare time for studying. In eastern communities, on the contrary, where there is more inherited wealth, and it might be truly said, more inherited culture and taste for research, the reading and investigating class is much larger. Still, there are evidences that it is steadily growing here, as our continually increasing list of readers shows. Those who now frequent our library, do so mostly for a specific purpose. They are in pursuit of some definite information, or following the lead of some hobby. But few come for promiscuous reading, or to read simply for pleasure. Only one case of the latter fell under our observation—that of a young lady, who read.

volume after volume, two complete sets of popular magazines, though why she spent so many hours, days even, in frequenting our not very comfortable or attractive rooms, when she could have borrowed the same books at the circulating library and taken them home, was a problem we could never solve.

We are impressed with the belief that the Spartan comforts of our reading room (or the little corner of space which we have dignified by that pretentious name) rather represses the desire of readers to come again to our rooms, than entices and encourages them to repeat their visits. Were our apartments somewhat more pleasant and wholesome, it is safe to say that we should find our rooms much more thronged with visitors. But they are quite unsuited for library purposes. They are dark in most portions, the ventilation—well, there is simply no ventilation. The air is necessarily impure, stiflingly hot in winter, and cold and damp in summer. Not many would be attracted to regular attendance under such surroundings.

Still, we ought not to complain at this, as every library possibly, in the days of early development, may have to pass through such a period of effort to overcome untoward surroundings. The St. Paul library also labors under somewhat similar drawbacks. Every library ought to study how to increase its patrons, so as to extend the benefits and use of the library as much as possible. We would gladly do so, but it is difficult to effect as good work in our present quarters as if they were larger. They are growing more and more confined, every day, as our library grows and our space does not increase.

THE LIBRARY AS A SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION.

The value of the public library, as a school of instruction, is not sufficiently recognized, except perhaps by those who, like the librarians themselves, see the instances of it so often. The encouragement of young people to take advantage of its benefits, should be kept steadily in mind by instructors and parents. Libraries have been fittingly termed the "universities of the people." Their doors should be as widely opened as possible. Young people should receive every encouragement possible, and all facilities be given to them which are within reach. Many of our readers are young people, and the librarian gives them every possible chance to get any information which they may seem to be in search of, although their ideas of what they really want are often quite vague and unformed. But everything available is always pleasantly put at their disposal, as freely as if they were the most important persons in the realm.

Our museum, although quite limited in variety, and poorly lighted, attracts large numbers of the younger classes of our community. The noise of the ingress and egress of these juvenile visitors, their loud talk, and the fact that they invariably leave the door open, either in going or coming, and especially so in the coldest weather, does not altogether make their patronage desirable, to some of our readers, but we bear it patiently, because our duty is to do so, for the benefit of the class mentioned, whose wants are so great, and whose advantages so limited. The throwing open of museums and art galleries for free visitation of the street juvenile class, is one of the most useful works of the education of the untutored young. It may awaken in the mind of some neglected youth, new and valuable ideas, which may be the germ of great development.

A careless boy, looking at the objects of a museum or at a painting, may have thoughts awakened in his mind, which may lead the way to his becoming one of the greatest scientists or artists of the country. The curiosity shown by the young folks, in visiting free museums, should be encouraged, not repressed. It should be turned into channels where it will lead to higher results. One cannot look at the groups of children attracted by the objects in our museum, without seeing the possibility, and the duty, of trying to lead their attention into the paths of study and investigation. They are an interesting study. Every little knot of these future citizens shows their varied origin. The flaxen haired descendants of the Northmen, the dark-skinned children of Italy, the well-known types of the Teutonic, the Slavic, and even the African races, are all mingled in every group which seeks the privilege of seeing the curiosities in a public museum. Still, we have not now the facilities, nor the room, to make our exhibition of historical and archæological curiosities so free as we would wish. In the larger and better edifice, arranged for those purposes, which we hope to have in the future, that can be all provided for. But now we can only sow the seed of our coming harvest. The street gamin who cautiously approaches the desk of the librarian with the inquiry: "Mister, haint you got no books about pirates, or killing Injuns?" is only stepping in the first tracks towards the evolution into a reader and scholar. This feeble desire to read, to learn, must be encouraged, and supplied with the proper food. Libraries and museums here find their real work.

THE INCREASING IMPULSE FOR RESEARCH.

The renewed attraction toward research and historical studies, is one of the characteristics of the times. Never, at any previous period, has the impulse towards investigation and research been so marked. All the libraries find indications of this awakened thirst for study, the most marked of which is in the field of history. We live in a prying and investigating age. The systematic study of history has taken a new advance. In all our American universities, a greater attention to this branch of learning is being cultivated, and the libraries of the country are being laid under contribution, as never before. The best materials for research and study are sought for, and new subjects are continually pressing for recognition. Broader fields for the cultivation of scholars, in the lines of political economy, social science, the relations of man to man, and of man to the state, are daily being unfolded, and every possible fact or data bearing on them is brought to the light, and spread to the world through the printing press. Scholars, and authors, and thinkers, no longer follow the old ruts, but advance into new paths of thought. Thus, the demands upon the resources of libraries, is increased to a great degree, and lays upon them a larger work in providing books that will be useful to the scholars of the new schools, and aiding them in their studies. In this library, the demand for works in the higher grades of thought, and in the more advanced reaches of investigation, has been largely increased, and leads us to realize, more than ever before, how insufficient are our means, and our facilities, for keeping abreast of the increasing wants of scholars, and students. Our departments on many subjects of knowledge, should be largely increased.

The term "history," in a library, includes a great range of subjects. Its scope embraces a number of topics, some of them quite widely separated in point of analogy. The number and different kinds of books which may be included under the head of history, would astonish any one who had not given the subject much attention.

There are occasional instances of searches being made that give an idea of the usefulness of some of our works. For instance, we have a very complete collection of the Adjutant Generals' reports of the various states, during the war period. They have been of incalculable aid to seekers after pensions, widows and others, in searching the names and records of old soldiers. Sometimes the clues to the soldiers recorded are

very slight. A person came here once to get the record of a relative, of whose military history the only thing known was "that he served in a Pennsylvania regiment." It was thus necessary to search the printed rolls of that state from end to end, of the 366,107 separate enlistments, a task which took one person several entire days.

THE COLLECTION OF SERIAL REPORTS.

One of the departments of our work, which requires more time and exactness than any other, is that of collecting serials—that is, the annual reports of bodies, societies, or corporations, and all other regular publications, which are issued from the press at stated intervals. The importance and value of this portion of our collections, is a sufficient justification for the labor laid out on it. The vast number of annual, (or more frequent) reports of the innumerable boards, commissions, bureaus, societies, secret orders, institutions of learning, and science, etc., etc., all of which are so valuable, and so almost impossible to get after some time has elapsed from their publication, renders necessary vigilant and prompt systems for collecting them at the the time of their issue.

We have now, on our list of these serials, the names of more than five hundred sources of issue of such publications, to which we apply annually, or oftener, for their reports, and make every effort to have the sets of the same complete. Thus can then be readily seen the amount of labor which this one department entails on our librarians, but so important is the work mentioned, that it repays all the outlay of time expended on it. There is no other way to secure these perishable issues of the press, than by seizing them at the time of their appearance, or very soon after. After a very few months, or even weeks, elapse, they become so hard to obtain, and disappear so entirely, often, that only great outlays of money or time, would secure them.

It is a fact well known, that societies and institutions do not make any systematic effort, generally, to keep sets of their own reports, or other publications, and thus, a few weeks or months after their publication, to find a copy would involve a costly search. In such case, the only copy accessible, would be in a public library, such as our own, and it is this fact that shows the value of our system, of collecting them promptly and systematically. So quickly do these fugitive issues of the printing press disappear, that there are many cases where every copy of some of these serials has disappeared, and no

evidence is on record that such an institution as the one which issued them, ever existed. Such serial reports are not kept in stock by book-sellers, except in a very few cases, and in a brief time they become "out of print."

The loss of collections of pamphlets, and their destruction by those who do not know their value, is deplorable. Frequently our librarian has asked some one for pamphlets, and received the reply: "Do you care for such things? I sold a big lot of them to a junk dealer the other day." Quite large collections of them are often sold by heirs, after the death of a collector, for old paper.

Of many of the serial reports of institutions in this State, we undoubtedly have the only copies in existence, and an idea of the value of the sets preserved by us, can be gained from this fact. If it were not for our care and persistence in collecting them, not a copy, of many of them, would now be in existence, and thus all record of the history of these institutions perish from the earth.

It is unfortunate that some of these institutions issue their reports for several years, before we have been aware of the fact, as this could easily happen, without any neglect of watchfulness on our part. A chance places in our possession a copy of the publication, and we then set about securing a set of the same. This has generally been attended with great trouble, and outlay of time and money, both, and we regret to say that our most strenuous efforts to obtain full sets have often been futile. The steps which our librarian took to hunt up copies, and the disappointments experienced, would in some cases, make an interesting story, which, but few, except those who had tried the difficult task of searching for old pamphlets, could realize, fully. Sometimes we are appalled with the reflection that, after all our persistent efforts to gather serials, we get such a disappointing proportion of the great list that we seek for.

THE VALUE OF PERSISTENT BEGGING.

Thus the only way in which we can gather in these transient waifs of the printer's art, is to beg them from everybody who has them and who can be persuaded to send them to us. To this end, postal card requests for the needed pamphlet, are sent out annually, and from this source, we are building up our truly valuable department of serials. These thousands of begging letters, sent abroad by our secretary, have garnered a

notable harvest. There are but few people, who, on being politely asked for such a favor, will not respond in the affirmative; and thus, by our "keeping everlastingly at it," we are accumulating in our library a wealth of this material, which, one day, will be of incredible value, simply because we have had the foresight to gather and preserve these perishable little publications, which undoubtedly no other person, and no other library has taken the care to do.

The "eternal vigilance" which is the "price of liberty," is also the price of getting our collections complete. Hunting for missing numbers of serials is often a very vexatious and fruitless task. The letters written, the visits to persons, the searches in garrets, or closets, and "begging" requests, in season and out of season, are a part of the history of almost every pamphlet gained to our store. Wishing to complete our set of a serial of which we had not the earlier issues, our secretary wrote more than 30 postal cards to persons supposed to be able to furnish them. At other times printed postals have been dispatched to numerous parties, urging them to make a search in their drawers or shelves. Securing missing numbers, especially the older ones, is vexation and vanity of spirit oftentimes. Sometimes this search would be pursued for years, until victory was won, and the fugitive pamphlet was at last fitted in its niche. Sometimes the effort to fill a desperately incomplete set, was much like the story of the man who took a bung-hole to a cooper and desired to have a barrel made around it. Even libraries lamentably fail, sometimes, in preserving copies of pamphlets issued in their immediate vicinity. Our librarian made search by letter in over 20 libraries in Ohio for a copy of a catalogue of an Ohio college, of a remote date, but not one of them had preserved it.

How difficult it is to get trace of the existence of some of these serials, no one but those who have tried it would know. They make their appearance in the world so obscurely, and disappear so quietly, that no clue is left of their entry or exit. Right in our own city, dozens of pamphlets are printed and circulated, and die off the earth so completely, that our librarian never hears of them. Of course, in the case of a serial, when we get its identity, it is listed, and thenceforth cannot escape us. This is a work in which our own members could give valuable aid, as they could rescue from oblivion an infinite number of the ephemeral spawn of the press. But those engaged in the hurry and worry of ordinary business life, have but little

chance to do such work. Besides, the value of such things is not realized. We are often asked the question, "Do you care for such things?" (meaning pamphlets.) Care for them, indeed! They are, in some sense, the most valuable portion of our library. In collecting pamphlets, there is nothing too small or insignificant for a library to gather. All are materials for history, the most insignificant, sometimes, the most scarce and valuable.

The issue of such reports is constantly on the increase, and the sources of their supply is extending. The number which we could get, and ought to get, would be exceedingly large, but our staff is too limited to go into the work so extensively. We must confine our collection to those of our own State, and others of the greatest importance. Societies and institutions are beginning to see that it is to their advantage to have their reports preserved in the way we are doing it, and many regularly mail us their reports or catalogues. As they seldom save sets of their own proceedings and reports, it would be a valuable thing for them to be able to find a file of their publications in our library, in case there was a necessity to refer to it at any time. As the work we are doing in this line is for their benefit, as much as for our own, a hearty co-operation in our work would be a good policy, and we shall undoubtedly receive it.

During the past two years, efforts have been made by this library to collect material for the history of secret societies in America. The documents sought were the printed minutes of the supreme or grand lodges of the various fraternal societies. It will surprise many to learn that there are now in full operation, in the United States, nearly seventy of these orders, all publishing minutes of their state and national bodies. We have succeeded, by persistent search, in getting quite complete sets of these journals of most of the societies named. It is probable that very few other libraries in the country have made a specialty of such a class of literature. To show the large amount of these issues, it is found that in Minnesota alone, there are over thirty grand lodges issuing annual or biennial proceedings. Many if not all of these, publish carefully prepared memoirs of deceased members, Minnesota citizens; and thus their proceedings have a historical value that warrants the outlay of time and labor necessary to gather and keep complete the sets of their publications. During the year past the proceedings of thirteen new grand lodges in Minnesota were added to our list.

All these proceedings contain many facts of value to the sociologist and writer on political economy. Their vital statistics are also valuable.

We have also made special efforts to collect the journals of the national synods, conferences, conventions, &c., of the various religious denominations of the country, in which we have succeeded very gratifyingly. Most of these cover the entire history of the respective bodies, from their planting on American soil.

THE INCREASE OF GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH.

The number of persons studying genealogy in this library is steadily on the increase, and that department of our works shows more readers than any other, unless it be, perhaps, the newspaper section. One reason for this increase will be found in the organization, within a year or two past, of the two societies, "Sons of the American Revolution," and "Daughters of the American Revolution." These two societies have given a new impulse to the study both of American genealogy and that of the revolutionary period. This library was fortunately well provided with a collection on both these subjects, and a more full and well selected department on that subject than any other library in the State possessed. We were patronized by the Sons and Daughters of the Revolution to a very creditable extent, and we were greatly pleased that our library responded so well to the demands on its resources. Nearly every one who pursued their investigations in our library, found a record of their "grandfathers" and were happy. The two societies in this city and Minneapolis (for the people of the latter used it as much as those of this city) received many accessions of membership, which were largely furnished with their proofs for it by documents found in this library. A large proportion of the students were ladies.

The great demand all through the country for facts relating to revolutionary soldiers, and other data regarding that historic period of American history, led congress to pass an act, which became a law the last week of the recent session, ordering the proper officers of the various departments to copy, from the archives in their possession, the names and other facts about every revolutionary soldier whose record could be found in the documents under their charge. This splendid record will not, probably, be completed for some months to come, but it will be of incalculable value to genealogical students.

This library was compelled to buy, to fill the demand for books on the revolutionary period, the three scarce volumes of rolls of revolutionary pensioners, published by Congress, in 1835, costing us \$30.

The regular study of genealogy has largely increased in this State. In our library, the demands for books on those subjects, is constantly increasing. Several persons in Minnesota, have recently published genealogies of their families. Among these are the Kelley and Seward families.

We have also noticed the great increase of that class of persons who believe that they are heirs to estates in England. They have received circulars to that effect from sharpers who prey on the credulity of fortune hunters. They are all sanguine of getting proofs to substantiate their supposed claims. The advice of our librarian, not to waste their money on the swindling "agents" of these estates is generally received with indignation. It demonstrates the truth of the axiom, that "people like to be swindled."

While on the subject of our splendid genealogical collection, we copy a flattering word of praise from one of the highest literary authorities in the world, to wit: "The Athenæum," of London, under date of July, 12, 1890:

"Genealogical studies, which are less active here than they used to be, are extending in the United States. The historical societies in the western cities, which appear useless because there is no local history, devote themselves to family records. A reminder comes to us, from the Historical Society of Minnesota, at St. Paul. In the library of that society are seven hundred volumes of English genealogy, being the seventh collection, for extent, in the states. The report informs us that one lady spent two months in St. Paul in 1880, making 1,200 searches in relation to the history of her family. In this way grow up closer ties with the mother island, and an ever-growing sentiment of kindred with the English-speaking races. Although family records are of deep interest to their members they are of none to others, and often pass unnoticed. One late work from St. Paul is the 'Ancestry, Life and Times of General Henry Hastings Sibley.' The career of this distinguished pioneer of the West and his services against the Indians of the territory, are vigorously depicted by the author, Rev. Nathaniel West. To the Sibley family is devoted a mass of research from mediaeval records by Dr. West, which is not to be found in such notices as we

have in Hasted and our other county historians. While a family here often sinks into obscurity and has got to the time when history is no longer concerned with it, it sometimes gains new lustre by the rise of its scions in New England. Thus with the Sibleys. A man of that name, with two sons, went to Connecticut in the beginning of the seventeenth century. In the beginning of this century, seven hundred men named Sibley voted in one township election in that State. Now they are growing few in New England and have taken their share in the settlement of the West."

Several months after the publication of the foregoing paragraph we received a letter from a gentleman in New Zealand dated December 22, '90, as follows :

"I have lately read in the *Athenaeum*, Review of London, that your society possesses seven hundred volumes of books on English Genealogy, and as we have nothing of the sort in this out of the way place, I venture to ask you to give me a few extracts from them."

The letter contained some queries regarding the gentleman's family, which our librarian made search for, and forwarded him the results.

COLLECTION OF ATLASES AND MAPS.

Our map and atlas department has received some notable accessions the past term. Our specialty has, of course, been to gather the rarest and oldest maps relating to America, and in this we have been very successful. The issue from the press of so many works on the Columbian discovery largely increased our store of maps, or better speaking, of copies of the earliest American maps. The publication of Henry Harrisse's great book, the "Discovery of North America," added a great many to our list of reprints of archaic maps. The new issue of maps illustrating the battle fields of the rebellion, by the war department, is a splendid series of the handsomest maps we have received from any source. We are also indebted to Prof. Henry Gannett, of the Geological Bureau, for a large number of the maps of the geological survey, executed in the highest skill. We have added atlases of St. Paul and Minneapolis, by purchase, and one or two other similar works. The value of maps in a historical library cannot be overrated. We have been very successful, so far, in collecting them, and a large proportion rare and old. The only drawback we experience, now, in pursuing this important department of our accessions, is the want of proper place to keep our maps, and

the want of a good catalogue of them. We cannot have a suitable place to keep them, until we get new apartments, and we cannot catalogue them, until we get an increase of our working force.

To a fair extent, but by no means as rapidly as we could wish, we have added to our already good collection of county and city, and State atlases. But our limited means have kept us from buying them as much as we had wished. Still, by persistently seeking them, we will, in time, get the greater part of those relating to the western states, which will make a department of rare value.

CONGRESSIONAL DOCUMENTS, AND THEIR DISTRIBUTION.

The Department of the Interior, from which we have received in years past, such a large and valuable series of the publications of Congress, has continued their distribution in the most satisfactory manner. We desire to acknowledge, with special thanks, the very valuable services rendered by Mr. John G. Ames, the experienced and efficient officer who controls the distribution of the public documents, and has done so for many years. His management of this important work has been a great boon to the libraries of the country.

This library has now some 1,500 volumes of our governmental documents, reaching from 1840 to 1892, pretty complete, and previous years, somewhat fragmentary. The publication of these volumes by order of Congress, began about 1784. There are very few of the libraries of the country, however, which have many of the issues of the earlier congresses. It is stated that the library of Congress itself does not possess an entirely complete set. Under this head the public library of Boston, claims to have the most complete set in existence. Its bulletin of December, 1867, says: "The set in the public library, is believed to be as complete as any in the world, if not absolutely, the most complete of any."

It may be policy for the government to some time reprint the earlier sets, say from 1784 to about 1825, after which date sets are more plenty. This could be done by the new photographic process, by which it could be executed rapidly and cheaply.

There are four sets in the public libraries of St. Paul, and eight sets in those of the State altogether.

For two or three years, the American Librarian's Association has been endeavoring to secure the passage, by Congress, of a bill to provide for the better distribution of the public

documents, and also their better and more uniform printing. A bill, drawn up under the suggestions of the Association, was introduced during the winter of 1891-92, into the house, and good progress was made towards its passage, but such was the pressure of work towards the end of the session, it could not be reached. It is believed, though, that it will soon become a law.

There are costly and valuable volumes continually printed by order of Congress, which are never distributed by the regular way, at all, but are all taken by the members, who distribute them to their special friends, and libraries are thus prevented from getting them, except at great expense. This library made efforts to get the splendid volume entitled, "The Growth of Industrial Art," but could not succeed. There is not a copy in a public library in this State. The passage by Congress of the bill mentioned, would give the people of this State a chance to share in the enjoyment of such good things, free.

THE GENERAL WORK OF LIBRARIES IN AMERICA.

The rapid increase of libraries in America, is one of the characteristics of this age. Nothing approaching it has been known in any other country, or in any other period. New libraries are springing up everywhere, with large endowments, generally, and thus are created full grown, in a single night. The Chicago University Library might be mentioned as a remarkable instance of this. It was purchased at one transaction, from dealers in Europe, containing 260,000 volumes, for the sum of \$300,000, which sum was contributed by several individuals, after a few minutes of conference on the subject.

The co-operation of libraries and historical societies, for their common purposes, has also greatly quickened the growth of the library movement in the United States. The American Historical Association, is an instance of this. This society was represented at its last meeting, in Washington city, in the winter of 1891-92, by two of our members. This society was also represented at the annual meeting of the Royal Historical Society of Canada, in May, 1891, at Montreal, by its secretary. Our relations with all the historical societies, and many of the libraries of the United States, have been of the most profitable nature, and conducted to the advantage of both parties, especially in the matter of exchanging publications. These exchanges are an important thing in our work, as a very large part of our library increase is owing to the gifts which we get from other libraries, in return for what we send them.

This library has always endeavored to supply its corresponding societies and institutions, with the documents of this State, and other publications relating to it, and have, within a few years thus distributed hundreds of executive documents, legislative manuals, geological reports, directories, city reports, horticultural reports, military histories, etc., etc., to other libraries. We are also constantly collecting and preserving as many duplicates of State and city documents, and reports of all kinds relating to this State and its institutions, as we can get, knowing that they will, in a few years, be needed by the libraries which will be established in the towns and cities of our State.

The experience gained by one library, in its practice, and in its experimenting on problems regarding the profession, is of great value to all others, and all libraries are willing to share their gains of knowledge with sister societies. Thus the growth of the library science is constant, and the common sum of skill and experience, augments daily. The publications, by libraries, of their bulletins and reports is also valuable to all others, by enlightening the latter on many points which they had not yet worked out by their own experience.

The American Library Association, which has lived long enough to demonstrate its *raison d'être*, is also a valuable help to American libraries. It is by co-operation that libraries can become strong, the same as in all other aggregation of forces and resources. At the annual meeting of the latter, in 1892, this society was represented for the first time, by its librarian. The principal business was, discussing ways and means to make libraries more useful to the public. A single library, working in this line might accomplish considerable, but a general co-operation of all, would have a greater effect.

Many plans for the aid and bettering of libraries is being considered by the association and its committees. One object is to elevate the grade of the profession of librarian, to have better trained librarians, and to have more efficient service done. A valuable adjunct to the latter desideratum, is a library school which is in successful operation in the New York State Library. This, and similar plans for giving practical instruction in librarianship, will soon be felt in all libraries, by the better service and more able administration.

In this State some attention has been given to the same object, and a State Librarians' Association has been formed, for co-operation among all the librarians in Minnesota, and for mutual aid and instruction. It promises good fruits, in enlarging and broadening the field of the profession.

In the preliminary address of the General Committee on Literary Congresses, of the World's Fair, written by Dr. Poole, of the Newberry Library, Chicago, the increase of American libraries is forcibly noted:

"Concerning the subject matter of the first section (libraries), it may be remarked that in no other department of organized literary activity, during the last 25 years, has there been such a marked development, as in that of libraries—in number, in accession of books, in funds for their support, in methods of administration, and the construction of library buildings. The amount of money given by private beneficence, within the last few years, for endowing libraries and erecting buildings, has no parallel in the history of public charities."

CO-OPERATION IN HISTORICAL WORK.

The growth of the taste for historical research is one of the prominent features of the literary progress of the period. History, in all branches, is now being studied as never before. Historical societies are a most important feature of this movement. They show the value of co-operation. The studies and the discoveries resulting from them, made by some, are of benefit to all scholars. They increase the common fund of knowledge on the subjects pursued. One scholar, working alone, could succeed fairly, but by co-operation there would be much gain to all. Thus, in a historical society, a single officer devoting his time to its work, would secure good results, but the concentrated efforts of the entire membership, working to a common end, would succeed in far greater accomplishments. Another good result would be, that the work could be subdivided into departments. Each could devote himself to a specialty. In a society like this there is great need of such a plan. The librarian should not be left to do all the gathering. He can cover but a small part of the field of collection. All the members should vigilantly seek whatever will be of value to the collection. All should practice "begging" books, pamphlets, or whatever it may be, and thus a harvest of additions will be reaped. The habit of persuading persons to give, should be encouraged. If our 150 members each gave, or collected from others, 10 pamphlets each, the total gain to our library would be a gratifying thing. It is all within the limits of possibility.

A GENERAL VIEW OF OUR WORK.

While there is much that we have not done, it is pleasanter to contemplate what we have done. The accommodation of the public is, of course, our first aim, and this has been kept in view as far as possible. We have been quite devoid of many ap-

pliances for the best library work, which other libraries have, and thus have been handicapped to some extent. That we have done as well as we have, amid our drawbacks of too limited space, insufficient light, poor ventilation, and absence of that quiet which should mark every reading room, is a fortunate thing. We have cherished plans for increasing and perfecting our collections, but have had no means to carry them out. How can we make our library more useful? has been the question most anxiously pondered by us. This cannot be a "popular" library, in the common acceptance of the term. It has certain uses and intentions which, well carried out, would give it a gratifying success in its proper field. What is the province of a historical society? may be asked. Not so much, it may be replied, to write history, as to gather the materials for it. And this work we have successfully performed. To collect and preserve the history of the State and its people, is the chief specialty of this library, and a field that is not cultivated, as a main object, by any other library in it.

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE FUTURE.

The history of all institutions like this, shows that when once securely established, they grow with increasing ratio. We expect this rule to apply in our case, for as we have done so well in our struggling years, when we were poorly equipped as to means, and imperfectly organized for our work, our future progress when we are well provided with means, and housed in a commodious and well arranged building, will be a gratifying and bright one. What cannot we accomplish under such auspicious surroundings? Now, we are not able to keep pace with the increasing demands upon us. Even were we to receive, unexpectedly, large gifts of money or books, we have scarcely the proper facilities to avail ourselves of the advantages of such a piece of good fortune, in the apartments where we are now. But it is little likely that such a stroke of the fairy's wand will happen, until we secure our contemplated building. Our best chance, then, of getting liberal gifts, is to secure a housing worthy of them, and where they can be made of use. Almost every one using the library, remarks on its poor location, and the ill adaptation of its apartments for its purpose. Yet, with all these drawbacks of location, we have steadily grown, and increased the size and value of our library, extended its usefulness, and broadened our influence and resources. Yet it has taxed, to an extreme degree, the ingenuity and patience of our librarians, to adjust this growth, and growing demands, to our too limited quarters.

OUR RETURN FOR THE COST OF OUR MAINTENANCE.

The inquiry may be made, what return have we made the public for the cost of our maintenance? We reply, first, the library which we have accumulated. This is valued at \$100,000. Our real estate which cost the State nothing, being a gift to it from our membership, is worth \$50,000. Our own fund, accumulated by the sale of life memberships, amounts to \$25,000. Here are tangible assets to show for our outlay. Then, for thirty-two years our doors have been open to the public, the free use of our splendid collection being at the request of any citizen, and many thousand persons have, during that period, here found information and facts useful to them, in the archives and documents, and works, which we had gathered, and secured not only by purchase, but by gifts solicited from private individuals and institutions, almost all over the world, which constitutes a library of which our State can be proud. We have also published seven volumes of matter relating to the history of this State, and of its people, which, distributed to the libraries of other states and countries, have given Minnesota an honorable name among educated and cultured communities throughout the world.

By our labors we have awakened a spirit of study and of research among our citizens, which has raised them in the scale of mental culture, and increased their standing among the commonwealths of the Union. For these reasons, and many others, the people of this State ought to feel a pride in an institution so creditable to them, and so manifestly useful.

These remarks about the value of our collection, and of our work, are not made in a self-laudatory spirit, as we have received numerous testimonials from other institutions, to the same effect, and from scholars and public men of this and other states, which have spoken in the warmest terms of the useful and well planned work we have performed, in the field of American history. The press of our own State and elsewhere have also generously given us unsolicited testimonials of the same nature.

LIBRARIES AND THEIR TRUE FIELD OF WORK.

In no country in the world are libraries more estimated at their true value than in this. Their educational value is becoming appreciated more and more. Carlyle well said, "The true university of these days, is a collection of books." The public library is open to all. The burning of the Alexandrian library has been called "The paralysis of a great lobe of human mem-

ory." The rapid growth of libraries in the United States is one of the remarkable features of the age. Libraries with opulent endowments are springing up here and there like a work of magic. Witness, for example, the princely endowments for this purpose, recently made by Rockefeller, Tilden, Sutro, Crerar, Newberry, Stanford and others. Libraries with such opulence can come into being almost full grown. The Chicago University, as referred to elsewhere, recently purchased a collection in bulk, in Germany, consisting of 260,000 volumes for the sum of \$300,000. Such master strokes as this are rapidly placing Chicago to the front as a literary and scholarly center.

A statement, apparently with some authority, has been recently made, that, within a few years, \$25,000,000 have been given to libraries in America as endowments. This evinces the estimate on their value and usefulness set upon them by the liberal and generous friends of education and knowledge. The expenditure of such an enormous sum on the libraries of the new world, ought to give this country the best libraries on the globe. They will have the freshest and best collections of works that are attainable, because bought in the best markets with money. It is a fact that Americans who have visited Europe must have noticed, that the libraries of that country, though large and possessing a multitude of old and rare books, do not have as great a proportion of recent and fresh books as the libraries of the United States, which have generally been purchased with the object of getting the very best and latest works on any subject. There are, according to the best authorities, 50,000,000 books in the libraries of America, and but 21,000,000 in those of Europe. Undoubtedly there is one, at least, copy of every known printed book in some one of these great collections. It is asserted that there have been issued from the press, since the first book appeared, 13,000,000 different works. The most costly volume now in existence, is the Hebrew bible in the Vatican library, for which its weight in gold was refused, that is \$103,000.

Amid this quickening of interest regarding libraries, what is to be our harvest.

THE EXACTIONS OF THE LIBRARIAN'S PROFESSION.

With the rapid growth of the libraries of the country, and the multiplication of new classes of subjects, and additional branches of investigation, the librarian's profession becomes

more and more exacting, and requires more ability and more application to keep abreast of the demands made upon him. The old idea of a library was that it was a collection of old and musty tomes, presided over by some antiquated fossil, deep in scholarship, but asleep to new and progressive ideas, where old foggy antiquarians would resort to pore and dream and ponder over obsolete topics. But the awakened thirst for original investigation and thorough research has changed all this. Libraries are placed under demands that have abolished all the old routine of their work. New appliances for study and analysis are a necessity now, and the freshest and latest books on every subject. Books are kept now for use. Their custodian must be alive to the wants of the public. The amusing description by Oliver Wendell Holmes, of "The old librarian," would hardly apply to the latter day incumbent of a library. The following is his picture of the character he drew:

"The old librarian was a peculiar character, as these officials are apt to be. They have a curious kind of knowledge, sometimes immense in its way. They know the backs of books, their title pages, their popularity or want of it, the class of readers who call for particular works, the value of different editions, and a good deal besides. Their minds catch up hints from all manner of works, on all kinds of subjects. They will give a fact or reference to a visitor, at which the latter is surprised to find they remember, and which the visitor might have hunted for a year. Every good librarian, every book-owner who has grown into his library, finds he has a bunch of nerves going to every book-case, a branch to every shelf and a twig to every book. These nerves get very sensitive in old librarians sometimes, and they do not like to have a volume meddled with any more than they would to have their naked eyes handled. They come to feel at last that the books of a great collection are a part, not merely of their own property, though they are only the agents for their distribution, but that they are, as it were, outlying portions of their own organization. The old librarian was getting a miserly feeling about "his" books, as he called them." (April Atlantic).

No library, no matter how carefully catalogued, would be equal to the demands on it for information, without a skilled librarian. There are innumerable subjects which readers need, which cannot be catalogued. The information regarding them must be sought from some one familiar with them, and whose acquaintance with a large range of subjects, is extensive and

accurate. This is the desideratum which the skilled librarian fills. The most splendid collection of books would be of but little value without the experience and general knowledge of a trained librarian, to aid seekers after facts or ideas. He should literally, "know everything." He must know more than the mere titles of books. The questions which are daily asked of librarians, show the necessity of a versatile acquaintance with all knowledge.

In the work of this library, in addition to the ordinary topics of inquiry, there is an extensive search for matters purely relating to this State, its history, the history of its people, its politics, its wars, its legislation, its official documents, its geography, and a thousand and one miscellaneous queries, some of them very strange and odd, but shows that the people regard this society as the fountain and treasury of every fact relating to Minnesota, and Minnesota people. And they are seldom sent away empty-handed. Our librarian, from his long residence in the State, has become familiar with almost every thing which goes to make up a record of its life and composition.

Of course this keeping a general depository of knowledge, added to the multifarious details of a librarian's duties, taxes the time to a great degree. And a good modicum of his time is consumed in entertaining visitors, who do not want anything in particular, but who consume about so much time, nevertheless. The librarian has often remarked that a very useful and quite indispensable official in the library, would be one whose sole duty would be to "entertain bores." This would leave the librarian time to pursue his duties uninterruptedly. For want of such a functionary, he has often been heard to say, that he has need of cutting himself into about four pieces, provided they could be each endowed with the working faculties of the original body, and thus he could accomplish the necessary work depending on him. Our librarians find that the growing work of the library exacts from them, more and more, assiduous application, and ten hours steady work daily are necessary to keep abreast of it, a term of service that is very rare, perhaps, in other libraries.

THE PERSONNEL OF LIBRARY FREQUENTERS.

Perhaps no other profession meets with curious characters more frequently than librarians. The library is a place where that class are apt to be attracted, and where the pursuit of their hobby, whatever it is, can be more uninterruptedly carried on, than in almost any other place. Some of these characters

are of that class who live on the debatable line between sanity and mental aberration. They have enough of a definite object to be admitted to the privileges of a library, and yet they might by a rigid construction of the rules, be rightfully excluded. During the past twenty-five years, this library has had the patronage of several of these gentry. Seldom, though, more than one at a time, and after trying the patience of the librarian for a few months, in the natural process of evolution, or the "survival of the fittest," each one has folded his tent and stolen away, to give place to a successor of the same ilk.

One of the most persistent and disagreeable of the class, fell on us in the spring of 1888. He gave his name as Dr. Julius H. Stackemann, and said he was a journalist, or free lance newspaper contributor, and wished the use of our library to prepare articles. We soon found Stackemann was quite a scholar. His early life, we afterward learned, had been an erratic one. Of a good family in Germany, he was entered at a university, where he fought a duel with another student, and supposed he had left the latter dead on the field. He fled to the haven of such fugitives, the United States, and our civil war being on, enlisted under a false name. Released from this life, he began the career of a *Bohemien* scribbler here and there, until he became a habitue of our rooms, which he patronized four years steadily.

One of the German papers, referring to him after his death, said, "Stackemann was a brilliant man, but so disagreeable that no one could endure him." We found this true. To add to his other peculiarities, we soon noticed that he gave signs of insanity. It was exceedingly difficult to get along with him without an open breach. He was impudent, unscrupulous and fault-finding to an unreasonable degree. All these things were borne by the librarian, either patiently or impatiently, and several times he urged the library committee to order his exclusion, but no steps of that kind were ever taken. Stackemann continued to evince more and more marked signs of insanity. At length, an unexpected occurrence brought the problem to a sudden solution. Stackemann had a quarrel with a woman in the city, and wrote to her, on a postal card, some abusive and obscene words. For this, her friends were about to cause his arrest, when he suddenly left our rooms, on June 13, 1891, and we never saw him more. The next morning the following note was found on his desk:

"J. B. Chaney, Asst. Libr. Hist. Society.—Dear old friend: Let Mr. Frederick Sander have all what there is on my table

and in its drawers, as also my yet incoming mail. Give my love and esteem to Mr. Williams. Many, many thanks to both of you for the manifold kindnesses which you bestowed upon me. I am worn and weary, and must have rest. Good-bye.

J. H. STACKEMANN."

Thus ended by suicide, at an untimely age, what might have been a brilliant career.

THE EXTENT OF PRIVILEGES GRANTED TO PATRONS.

Recognizing that the privileges of any library ought to be made as free to its patrons as is consistent with its safety and good management, we have always acted on the policy of giving all facilities to our readers, that was in our power, consistent with our limited force of attendants. There are a number of our regular patrons (those who are commonly known to book men as "bibliomaniacs," or "bookworms"), who are granted the privilege of searches into the book cases *ad libitum*, and this has been of great assistance to them. Of course, this unrestricted freedom could not be made very general. It might, and would, be badly abused. The tendency so common among our fellow men, to disregard the observance of the ethics of *meum* and *tuum*, would greatly abridge this rule. We, in common with all libraries, have suffered from the exploits of the kleptomaniac, and we realise what the height of ingratitude can reach to.

Mr. Barton, the librarian of the American Antiquarian Society, in his last report, refers in a very pleasant mood to the subject of "browsing," and quotes from a paper on the topic, read before the American Library Association, by Prof. James K. Hosmer, since librarian of the Minneapolis Public Library, in which Prof. Hosmer pleads for the bookworm's privilege of browsing, and quoted Lord Bacon's saying, that "some books are to be brushed merely by the feelers; others to be touched by the mandibles in a more cursory nibble; into still others you may expediently work your way in a considerable perforation, while in the case of a few the demands of duty will not be satisfied until they are thoroughly honey-combed in a labyrinth of burrows." "While visiting a far away library, (Mr. Barton continues), I was not pleasantly impressed by seeing a placard bearing the legend "Prowlers not Wanted." The expression did not seem to be a happy one even in a library, but it reminded your librarian of some excellent searching work by two of our young genealogists and biographers. Their journeyings

in search of material, resulted in bringing from one town to another a missing volume of its early records, while in a second, manuscripts were rescued from the attic of a retired town clerk, &c."

In some respects, as far as this library is concerned, it is a necessity of our condition to let as many of our patrons as can be trusted to do so, help themselves, since our force of librarians is too limited to wait on all, and supply them with the works they wish. It would need the entire time of an official for that work alone.

Before dismissing this section of our report, it may as well be confessed that the tendency of a considerable part of the human race to appropriate the property of others, is an unfortunate thing for public libraries.

MATERIALS FOR BIOGRAPHIES OF MINNESOTA PEOPLE.

One of the most important departments of our historical work is the collection of materials for the biographies of Minnesota citizens. We are continually enquired of for facts of that kind. Our store of data for this department of state history, is quite full, and yet we have to confess that we should have done much more in that line. Hundreds of our old pioneers have died, in early days, about whom there is very little on record, in an accessible shape. The part which they took in the settlement and building up of the State is so imperfectly recorded that the credit due to them will be only imperfectly rendered by the future historian. It is unfortunate that in the early days, of the State, when these old pioneers were living, and could have furnished much material regarding the history of the State, that this society did not have the means to have collected the story of their part in the planting and developing of the institutions of Minnesota. It would have been done presumably, had the society had the means, and thus a vast quantity of material for our history, and that of the prominent actors in the founding of our commonwealth, been preserved. A systematic endeavor, even at this day, would secure a great store of facts on this subject, and it deserves to have some steps taken for cultivating such a valuable field, taken with a determination that will reap a good harvest of historical matter.

There has never been a period when the value of biography has been more appreciated at its true rate, than recently. The number of publications on that subject, recently, evince this fact. Many of these are gotten up by inexperienced writers, and largely with a view to profit, but imperfect as they are,

they add greatly to the sum of historical materials, and increase the stores of information. In the early days of this society, an effort was made by its librarian to collect biographical material regarding the most prominent citizens of our State, by sending out circulars containing blanks, for recording, by those receiving them, of the correct data of their lives, and the part they took in building up our commonwealth. A large number of responses were received, many of which have been since found of great value in furnishing facts for Minnesota history. The work would have been extended greatly, but the secretary found his time so engrossed by the rapidly growing work of the library, that he was compelled to abandon the securing of biographical material. In our Minnesota newspapers, of which we have 2,700 volumes, reaching back to 1849, there is an immense record of obituary notices of deceased citizens, constituting a great storehouse of Minnesota biography, but the lack of a general index to the volumes, somewhat deteriorates the value of the collection. The time may come when we can have this index made.

Something has been done by the publishers of county histories to cover this field, but they of course confine their memoirs to those only who become subscribers of their volumes. Thus this only partially supplies the want. Still, we have found the works referred to quite valuable in many cases, and only wish there were more of them published. Keeping records of the people of our State is one of our objects. A large portion of the men of the period will die and leave no sign. Even the city directory will contain about all that will ever be known, in a printed shape, of most of them. The numerous inquiries made at this library for clues to old residents, disappeared years ago, and leaving only a mere record of their name written in some deed, perhaps, show the value of efforts to secure some record of persons, who now obscure and unnoticed, may some time prove to have been an important link in the chain of sublunary events.

OF BINDING AND BINDERS.

In libraries, binding is always an important item. To get it done suitably, and at a reasonable price, is quite a problem. It is the poorest economy for a library to get cheap binding. Poor material and poor workmanship is nothing but vexation. In our early days, we had frequently to pay so-called binders for ruining our books, but fortunately, that is a thing of the past. We now are well served in that line. And our librarian

has become quite an expert in bibliopeggy. Poor work cannot be palmed off on him. Carefully drawn specifications accompany each volume to the bindery. The choice of material is also a thing carefully looked to. So that the binding done for this library, is creditable and satisfactory. Our binding bills are quite an item in our annual outlay. Sometimes we have had some trouble to get it promptly done, as the binderies of this city are often not very well supplied with employes, skilled ones, at least. We have had books at six binderies at one time. Our choicest binding is done at the celebrated shop of Ringer & Co., at Chicago. Mr. Ringer is not a "high-binder" by any means. We are well satisfied with his work and prices.

Finding that binding of large volumes, such as newspapers, was recommended by the American Librarian's Association, to be done in "duck," we have made a fair experiment of that material, and are satisfied with its service and durability. Besides, it is cheaper than leather. We have also used linen, recommended by the association, for smaller books, and believe it to be a fairly strong and servicable material, besides reasonable as to price.

Some libraries in the United States, are in the habit of sending their books to Europe to be bound, to avail themselves of the very low prices of that country. This library has received offers from foreign binders, which are very tempting, but so far we still patronise our fellow countrymen with our work.

THE CATALOGUE AND ITS NEEDS.

The work of cataloguing the current accessions is constantly kept up, and much of the time of the chief librarian is consumed by it. Not much can be done at present, to enrich or perfect the portion already furnished. We hope the time will soon come, when this can be done, but it can only be by an increase of the staff. As the library increases in size, the need for more complex work in cataloguing is evident, and will have to be provided. Then there are our maps, which are now only imperfectly catalogued, for want of room to arrange them, and for want of force to do the work. The same may be said of our portraits, and of our manuscripts, which are also quite unarranged, for want of proper space. In fact, the entire time of an expert cataloguer will be requisite for this department of our work, when the day comes that we have suitable rooms for our library.

CELEBRATION OF THE DISCOVERY OF AMERICA, IN 1492.

The occurrence of the quadro-centennial anniversary of the discovery of the new world, by Christopher Columbus, in 1492, gave rise to many historical observances of the occasion. Our own society was one of those bodies which formally celebrated the event. The exercises were held on Oct. 21, 1892, in the hall of the House of representatives, state capitol, in St. Paul. There was a large audience of cultured and appreciative persons present, and all the parts of the arranged program were successfully gone through. The opening number was an historical poem, on the discovery of the new world, written and delivered by Hon. Hanford Lenox Gordon, of Duluth, and was an able and pleasing epic. The historical oration was delivered by Hon. Henry W. Childs, Assistant Attorney General of Minnesota, and was listened to with the deepest attention by the audience, both for the great thoughts enunciated by the speaker, and his pleasing and graceful delivery. Fine music, by an orchestra, animated the occasion, and the whole exercises passed off in the most successful manner. It is the intention of the society, to print the full report of the celebration, in their next volume of collections.

IN MEMORIAM—GEN. HENRY H. SIBLEY.

On Feb. 18th, 1891, the honored president of this society, Gen. Henry Hastings Sibley, died at his residence in St. Paul, in the eightieth year of his age. Thus closed a life full of honors, one distinguished by devotion to the public service, of continual usefulness, and ennobled by upright living, the practice of all manly virtues, and by good deeds of benevolence and kindness. Gen. Sibley was, at the time of his death, the foremost citizen of our commonwealth, in the exalted dignity of his character, the personal eminence he had attained, his ability and his rank in civil and military life. Perhaps no other citizen had reached such a high place in the esteem and veneration of the people of this State.

It is not now necessary to enter into the details of his long and honorable career in this report. A full and just eulogy in his memory will be found in our Vol. VI., and it is unnecessary to repeat them here.

In his death, this society has lost one of its most active and faithful members. Gen. Sibley was one of its charter members in 1849, and remained an active member until his death, but did not become a member of the Executive Council until

after his residence in St. Paul, in 1862. He was twice president, the last time for thirteen years continuously, and until his death. He was a regular attendant at the meetings, and took a deep interest in the proceedings.

His bequest of a portion of his library to this society, is mentioned under another head.

Under the head of deceased members mention should also be made of the death of Hon. Elias F. Drake, another old member of the society and of the Executive Council. Mr. Drake's services to the society were of great value, and he was sincerely attached to it and worked for its success.

The *personnel* of the Executive Council of the society is a quite unchangeable body. Most of its members are of years in active membership, and very few changes have been made even by death. The president of the society has been in constant active membership since 1849, and Mr. Henry L. Moss's membership dates from the same year.

After the death of our beloved president, ex-Gov. Alex Ramsey, the first vice-president, was elected to fill the vacancy and Capt. Russell Blakeley, second vice-president, was promoted to the station of first vice-president; Mr. Charles E. Mayo, who has been in constant membership since 1854, was elected second vice-president.

THIS SOCIETY'S PUBLISHED COLLECTIONS.

The issue of the society's published collections still continues with regularity. Since our last biennial report the society published Part II of Vol VI, a volume of much interest and value, containing pages 29-319 of that volume. Among the contents of this part are a full account of the celebration of the Hennepin bicentenary, held by the society July 2, 1881; Reminiscences of Mrs. Adams, a pioneer of the Red River settlement, and of Fort Snelling, 1821-29, an intensely interesting narrative of life on our northwestern frontier, dictated to our secretary by Mrs. A., and by him written up and edited. Protestant missions in the Northwest, by Rev. S. R. Riggs, since deceased; autobiography of Lawrence Taliaferro, for many years Indian agent at Fort Snelling; a Memoir of Hon. Henry H. Sibley, late president of this society, by its secretary, Mr. Williams; and a very readable paper by the archæologist, Mr. Alfred J. Hill, on Indian mounds in Dakota, Wisconsin and Minnesota. This volume was received by the public with warm words of praise, and also by the press of the State, and adds an important contribution to our already published volumes.

It has also been received by other societies with testimonials of commendation. Its typography is neat and tasty. Twelve hundred copies were distributed to our members, the press, and to corresponding societies.

A notice of our seventh volume, "The Mississippi River and its Source," will be found under the head, "The Glazier Lake Imposture."

THE "GLAZIER LAKE" IMPOSTURE.

We had, in our last report, hoped that we would not again be compelled to mention the name of Glazier, the impostor whose lying claims to the discovery of the real source of the Mississippi River, we had completely refuted, more than once, and whose falsehoods had been scouted by almost every learned society in the world, but the charlatan still persists in flaunting his pretensions to the world, and we are again compelled to denounce him.

In August, 1891, Glazier, undaunted by the flayings which he had received from every reputable source of geographical authority on the globe, actually made another expedition to the Itasca basin, with the intention of having a few persons who accompanied him, certify that his original claim was genuine. While *en route* to Itasca, the *Congres Internationale des Sciences Geographiques* was sitting in the city of Berne, Switzerland, and among other subjects on which it pronounced authoritatively, was the Glazier fraud. It was denounced in the most effective terms by a committee of geographers, to whom it had been referred. This report was widely published by the press everywhere, but it fell on the pachydermatous hide of Glazier without producing any impression, as might be expected from his previous lawless course. He continued his expedition, and secured from his companions on the trip, an endorsement, such as it was, of the genuineness of his discovery in 1881, which he again published widely through newspapers that he had won to his cause, and even had the assurance to address a copy to this society, asking it to do him justice, by recognizing his claims as a discoverer. This request was referred to a committee of the society, who very tersely disposed of the captain's absurd and dishonest assertions.

The Society has recently had published, as one of its regular volumes of historical collections, the admirable report of Prof. J. V. Brower, the commissioner appointed by the Society in 1889 to make a scientific survey of the Itasca basin, and report all the facts concerning it. This report was referred to at

length in our last biennial report. The volume is a well written and interesting account of the topography and hydrography of the Itasca basin, and gives the full data of Prof. Brower's careful and exact survey. The facts therein given leave no ground for the false statements of Glazier to rest upon. His lies are utterly exploded and his claim as a discoverer vanishes in thin air. The volume will be given a wide circulation in all the countries of the globe, and thus the truth will, at last, strip the falsehoods of the imposter, of their mask, and place on record the absolute facts.

Prof. Raub, of Dorchester, Mass., voices thus tersely the opinion of Glazier, which hundreds of others have written in like strain:

"I do not see how any sane man can continue to believe in him, even if he was at first imposed upon. For cool effrontery and audacious cheek, Glazier would be a prize winner."

THE ITASCA STATE PARK.

The attention directed to Lake Itasca, by the survey made by Prof. J. V. Brower, under the auspices of this society, in 1889, spoken of in our last report, was further increased by the proposition made by Mr. Emil Geist, a citizen of St. Paul, and an active member of this society, who addressed a communication to the same in 1891, proposing that it take steps to memorialize the State legislature, asking that body to establish a state park on and around Lake Itasca, and create a public reservation there. The proposition was favorably considered by the society, and a committee appointed to examine the subject, which, after due consideration of the same, reported that it was a meritorious measure, and recommended the society to use its influence to persuade the legislature to create such reservation. Accordingly, a memorial of the society, asking such legislation, was prepared and presented to the legislature at its session of 1891. After due consideration, the measure was adopted by that body, and the following act duly passed and enrolled, among the laws of the session:

CHAPTER 56—S. F. NO. 461

An act to establish and create a public park to be known and designated as the Itasca State Park and authorizing the condemnation of lands for park purposes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That section six (6), township one hundred and forty-two (142), range thirty-five (35); sections six (6), seven (7), eighteen (18), nineteen (19), thirty (30) and thirty-one (31), township one hundred and forty-three (143), range thirty-five (35); sections one (1), two (2), three (3), four

(4), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), twenty-one (21) twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), twenty-eight (28), thirty-three (33), thirty-four (34), thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36), township one hundred and forty-three (143), range thirty-six (36); and sections one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4), township one hundred and forty-two (142), range thirty-six, (36), or so much thereof as the State is now or may hereafter become seized, shall be set apart and perpetually used as a public park.

SEC. 2. The name of said park shall be the Itasca State Park, and the same is by this act dedicated to the perpetual use of the people of this State under the proper restrictions hereinafter provided, or which may be hereafter provided by law.

SEC. 3. The general care and supervision of the Itasca State Park, until otherwise provided for, shall be vested in the state auditor, acting as state land commissioner.

SEC. 4. Any person who shall willfully cut, destroy or mutilate, or who shall willfully cause to be cut destroyed or mutilated any tree, timber or evergreen in said park, or who shall kill or cause to be killed any moose, bear, deer, fox, otter or other wild animal in said park, or who shall in any other manner than with a hook and line take any fish from the waters of said park shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined for the first offense fifty (50) dollars, for the second offense two hundred (200) dollars, and for the third or further offense he shall be fined and imprisoned not less than ninety (90) days, nor more than one (1) year, in the discretion of the judge presiding at the trial of the cause. All offenses charged for misdemeanors as hereinbefore provided shall be tried and determined under the general laws of this state applicable to the trial of criminal actions in like causes.

SEC. 5. The state auditor shall take proper proceedings, under existing laws relative to the appraisal and sale of school lands, to cause the transfer of the school lands in said park for park purposes, and at the sale thereof the same shall be bid in by the state for such park purposes.

SEC. 6. The governor shall appoint a qualified resident of this State a commissioner, who shall file with the state auditor his oath to support the constitution of this State and conscientiously perform the duties of his office.

It shall be the duty of the commissioner to take all reasonable steps to procure for the State from landed property holders, railroad companies, corporations or individuals owning lands within the limits of said park, concessions to the state for park purposes by contract or deed, subject to the approval of the governor. In case any tract or parcel or parcels of land within the limits of said park cannot be satisfactorily secured, the governor may direct the said commissioner to institute, for and on behalf of the State, proceedings in condemnation, as now provided by law, for condemning and converting private property within this State to public use. In case of any proceedings in condemnation the said commissioner, under the direction of the attorney general, may appear for the State in prosecuting to a final determination all causes and actions thereunder.

Whenever any proceedings in condemnation are had and taken for the condemnation and conversion of any of said lands, all of the provisions of an act approved March 9, 1874, entitled "An act to provide for obtaining title to lands by the state of Minnesota for the use of the State," and all amendments thereto shall be applicable in all proceedings for the condemnation herein provided for.

SEC. 7. The commissioner herein provided for shall receive a compensation of five (5) dollars per day for the time he is actually employed and his reasonable traveling expenses necessarily incurred, a schedule of which and time expense he shall make under oath and file with the state auditor. *Provided*, that the number of days for which compensation shall be allowed shall not exceed sixty (60).

SEC. 8. The commissioner shall prepare a detailed chart of said park, and shall make and file a report to the governor of all action taken by him which shall be transmitted to the next session of the legislature.

SEC. 9. The said commissioner shall have power to administer oaths and take acknowledgments and to serve all necessary notices in the performance of his duties as a commissioner, and he shall examine the records in the office of the register of deeds for the counties of Becker, Hubbard, Cass and Beltrami in perfecting title to the State for said lands, and the registers of deeds for said counties are hereby required to permit of the examination of titles to any of said lands without charge to the state.

SEC. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 20, 1891.

Governor Merriam, under the provisions of the above act, commissioned J. V. Brower as the commissioner of the park, and he at once entered upon his duties. His first work was to secure from the owners of the lands within the limits of the park, a concession of the title to their lands. A part of these were owned by railroads, a part by the general government, and a part by private parties, generally lumbermen. After using the proper exertions, Mr. Brower succeeded in securing a promise from all the owners that they would convey their rights to the State of Minnesota, provided the State legislature would appropriate the means sufficient therefor. The last step to be taken was to secure from congress an act giving the United States lands within the limits of the park, to the same purpose. Congressman Castle introduced the bill for that purpose in the House, and it passed there without any opposition, as well as in the Senate, and was enrolled as an act on August, 1891. Mr. Brower has made to the governor a full report of the whole matter, to which we make reference to save the space necessary to give the facts in detail.

THE PSEUDO VIEW OF ST. ANTHONY FALLS.

In our biennial report of 1891, was made mention of a curious engraving, date unknown, of the Falls of Saint Anthony, taken from a painting, and of whose history and identity we could learn but few facts. Since that date, by a mere chance, we have secured a copy of the work in which the engraving of the falls first appeared, and for which it was probably engraved. It is a pictorial publication, entitled "Picturesque Views of America," and was issued from the press in Philadelphia, about the year 1820. We have part two only of this work, but it would seem to have contained, in the two parts, about a dozen copper-plate engravings of folio size. The following paragraph is all that is found descriptive of the remarkable view of St. Anthony Falls:

"The view from which the annexed engraving is copied was taken and colored on the spot by Capt. Watson, of the British navy." If this is so, the worthy captain had taken an extra dram of grog that day.

Another rare book which we are searching for, is a collection of lithograph views of points on the Upper Mississippi river, taken by some wandering artist, about 1845, and gives, among others, a view of the present Saint Paul, the first ever taken. The book was printed in Dusseldorf, Germany, about 1848 (?) and only one copy is known to exist in America.

OUR SOCIETY AS A STATE INSTITUTION.

Those unfamiliar with our objects and organization may possibly ask, what is the distinctive field which we occupy? There are, of course, libraries in the State; but the State itself has no library of its own, of a general nature, except this one. Its law library is exclusively for the bar and courts. That library does not pretend to collect or keep any other books than law books. In order to accumulate a collection of books useful to the citizens—books which would not be found easily in any other library in the State—the legislature created this society and laid certain duties upon it, which are stated in the opening paragraphs of this report. One of the most important sections of our work is the preservation of the archives of the State. Its documents, the materials for its history, and the history of its people, are here for the free use of the citizens of Minnesota. It may be properly called a "Bureau of Archives." The preservation of these is its main specialty. It is organized for that object, and it has accomplished it.

The state departments are compelled to rely on it to an extent more than would be readily credited by any one who had not opportunity to know practically of the fact. Some of them have not files of their own official reports, owing, perhaps, to the fire, and find our well arranged collections of documents a convenient place for reference on a multitude of subjects, such as would naturally come up in the ordinary course of official life.

We make systematic efforts to gather a store of duplicate state documents and reports of all kinds, because we recognize the great value of such a collection, and no other institution is doing it. We are continually receiving requests for these works from other libraries, in this and other states, to fill sets, and have been gratified at being able to provide them with documents of great value to them. This has been done to the extent of hundreds of volumes, worth hundreds of dollars, for which we have made no charge. We also take great pains to preserve printed matter of almost all sorts relating to Minnesota and its institutions, believing that the libraries of this

State, to be established in the future, will find such a supply a most welcome boon to them. Ordinary duplicate books, such as accumulate in every library, have been freely given to societies which have recently been established, but are as yet without means to purchase, in the case of the South Dakota Historical Society, and the Nebraska State Historical Society, to the extent of perhaps two or three hundred volumes.

We are generously supplied by the State with a number of its documents, and find it a valuable source of exchange with other libraries. Our exchange list is constantly increasing, and the increment from this source is large and valuable. The number of societies and institutions in the United States which issue collections, or bulletins, is constantly increasing, and all the said publications are valuable. The documents of our State are much better gotten up than they were formerly, and on a better and more uniform system, so that they are more valuable now than in former years. This reform, and it was one much needed, was mainly brought about by Mr. David Ramaley, the superintendent of public printing, whose skill and experience have been of great value to the State. Under this head it may be mentioned that the American Library Association has inaugurated a movement to encourage State governments in the United States to adopt uniform sizes and style of issuing their documents, which would be a great boon to public libraries.

OUR APARTMENTS—MORE ROOM NEEDED.

In this report one or two allusions were incidentally made to the fact that our apartments were becoming too limited for our needs, in the face of the rapid growth of our library, and the increase of our readers. In a little while we will reach a period when our space for books will be utterly exhausted. It is now, almost, entirely so. What course we will take to provide the room needed, is uncertain.

And, in addition to the other drawbacks mentioned, we are in an inflammable building, where our valuable library, containing many thousands of precious and utterly irreplaceable books, might be destroyed in a single night by the flames. We have already endured a partial misfortune of that nature, and feel very apprehensive of a renewal of the calamity. We ought not, as a duty we owe to the people of the State, for whose use and benefit we have gathered this splendid library, remain in this dangerous building another month. another night, indeed, if there were any way of escaping from it to a safe one. We

are continually apprehensive of a disaster of the worst nature, one that will destroy, utterly, this library, which is the work of so many years, and the result of so much outlay. Such a calamity would be a criminal fault on our part, if it were to happen under circumstances that could be avoided, but in the present case, we are powerless to prevent it, as we have no means to provide ourselves with a fire proof building.

The only way out of this dilemma, it seems to us, is to devise some way of securing a building of our own, to be erected on our own property, and which should be built within a reasonable period.

PROJECTS FOR A FIREPROOF BUILDING.

For several years we have been scheming for the erection of a fireproof building for the sole use of this society, one commodious enough to last for a generation to come, of handsome exterior, and arranged expressly to meet our wants. Twice we presented our claims before the legislature, asking an appropriation of money from the public funds sufficient to erect a building commensurate with our needs, but we were met with the objection that the State funds were too much absorbed in other enterprises of a like kind to spare us the amount wanted. Since we first began petitioning the legislature for this appropriation at least five new State institutions have sprung into existence, which have been provided with capacious buildings and furnished with ample equipments. We believe now that our turn has come to share the beneficence of the State.

We had once supposed that we might be able to erect our building from contributions secured from persons interested in the work of the society, but a trial of this plan showed that it was not practicable. The reason was, that the society being a public institution, there was no cause for the citizens of the State contributing their own means to its erection, when the outlay was properly a charge upon the public exchequer.

OTHER PLANS TO SECURE A BUILDING.

Other measures to provide a building for our use, were considered from time to time. In February, 1891, Hon. John Lind, member of Congress from this State, introduced a bill in the House of Representatives, enacting that the St. Paul custom house be ceded by the government to the State of Minnesota, for the use of the Minnesota Historical Society, after its use was no longer necessary for the government

offices in St. Paul, for the reason that a new building for that purpose is in process of erection. If no other resource was left us, this would be a great boon for us, and one which we would grasp at with eagerness. But the difficulty in the way is, that it will be years before the new government building in St. Paul will be ready for occupancy by the officials and departments, and we must have new quarters as soon as they can be provided. It would be impossible to wait, and occupy the rooms where we now are, for anything like that length of time. Our work would have to be suspended practically, during the greatest part of the interim.

Another means of relief offered us, was to secure apartments in the proposed new State capitol, which may be located upon the same grounds as the present one. This plan is open to the same objection as the one just mentioned, regarding the United States custom house. The time needed for the completion of the building, would be from eight to ten years. It would be out of the question for us to wait that long to get larger apartments for our occupancy. It would be equivalent to the paralysis of this society.

The duty of the State to foster and promote the growth of institutions such as the Minnesota Historical Society, is clear and imperative. In every enlightened people, libraries are viewed as one of the most indispensable aids to education and learning, and receive the liberal patronage of the State. They are the storehouses of the accumulations of the wisdom of past ages, from which the people can draw supplies of erudition, and useful knowledge. They spread intelligence in the community, and elevate the grade of education and culture permanently. A commonwealth without libraries would indeed be but a narrow, an unprogressive people, for everywhere the advancement in all that makes society prosperous and progressive, is in ratio with its supply of libraries, and other means of study and investigation.

It is, therefor obligatory upon our legislators to use all means in their power to foster and build up all agencies for the promotion of intelligence among the people. Thereby the prosperity and dignity of the State is enhanced, and its power increased, for knowledge is power and wealth too.

FINANCES, RESOURCES, ETC.

The following statement of the expenditures of the society out of its annual appropriation from the State funds, shows how we have made use of the amount granted during the past two years:

	1891.	1892.
Purchase of books.....	\$1,776.03	\$1,593.53
Binding of books.....	605.23	597.68
Express and freight.....	99.92	72.30
Postage.....	113.02	33.00
Insurance.....	8.20	5.45
Printing and stationery	32.40	.....
Furniture.....	341.28	127.40
Miscellaneous.....	18.39	203.64
Service.....	2,700.00	2,700.00
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	\$5,694.46	\$5,332.74

Our annual appropriation from the State, as a state institution, has been \$6,000, and out of this we have to pay all the expenses of the society.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding this report, we tender our grateful thanks to our many friends and patrons, for their constant and unfailing liberality in giving us so many generous gifts, and for their good will and kind expressions of encouragement and confidence in our management of this great and responsible trust confided to us.

APPENDIX A.

THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ITS FOUNDING, AND EARLY STRUGGLES, AND LATER SUCCESS.

[From the Magazine of Western History, 1889.]

The Territory of Minnesota was created by an Act of Congress, approved March 3, 1849, and the first session of the Legislature assembled at Saint Paul, on September 3, of the same year. The fifth act passed by that body was entitled "An Act to incorporate the Historical Society of Minnesota," and was dated, Oct. 20, 1849. Thus the Society, a sketch of whose career I attempt to give in this paper, sprang into existence almost coeval with the birth of the Commonwealth of Minnesota itself, and is consequently the oldest institution in the State.

The act of incorporation declared that "C. K. Smith, David Olmsted, H. H. Sibley, Aaron Goodrich, David Cooper, B. B. Meeker, A. M. Mitchell, T. R. Potts, J. C. Ramsey, H. M. Rice, Franklin Steele, Charles W. Borup, D. B. Loomis, M. S. Wilkinson, L. A. Babcock, Henry Jackson, W. D. Phillips, Wm. H. Forbes, Martin McLeod, and their associates, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, by the name and style of" etc. These 19 men were among the most prominent citizens of the Territory at that date, and almost every one of them occupied high official positions in the Territorial or State Governments, either then or subsequently. Of the entire 19, only four, Messrs Rice, Sibley, Loomis and Wilkinson, are now living. The moving spirit in the formation of the society, was Charles Kilgore Smith, the Territorial Secretary of State, a man of much activity and ability, though he made some bitter political enemies subsequently, and did not hold his office long.* He was very active in promoting the success of the society for some two years, during which he was its secretary. The incorporators organized at a meeting held Nov. 15, 1849, at which Gov. Alex. Ramsey was chosen president, and remained such, for thirteen years consecutively.

The fact that such an institution was organized at the very beginning of society in this State, which in older states had only been the outgrowth of time, and wealth, and culture, was a matter of surprise to those not familiar with the energy with which western men, in the very first stages of society, provide themselves with the institutions of older communities. James Watson Webb, the eminent journalist, of New York, in commenting on the fact, said, "That there is nothing too flattering to predict of the future greatness and prosperity of a people, who commence to write their history as soon as the foundations of their commonwealth are laid."

*A full memoir of Mr. Smith will be found in Vol. 2. "McBride's Pioneer Biography," published in "The Ohio Valley Historical Series."

THE OUTLOOK NOT AN ENCOURAGING ONE.

It was not, however, a very encouraging prospect for an institution of that kind. The population of St. Paul was not over 400 or 500, and there were but three or four other towns in the Territory, which was then almost entirely occupied by the Indians, whose title to the soil had not been extinguished. The entire population of Minnesota was perhaps not over 1,500 white inhabitants. These were mostly poor settlers, and in the struggle for bread and butter in a new country, still a wilderness, had but little means and no leisure to cultivate æsthetics, or study philosophy or history. Consequently, the development of the society was very slow for the first few years. In 1838 there were only 441 volumes in the library, and most of those of minor value.

The first annual meeting of the society was held January 1, 1850, at which Rev. Edward Duffield Neill delivered the historical address, (given in the first volume of the society's collections) which, with other papers, were published soon after, and aided greatly in introducing the society to the attention of scholars abroad. One pressing want which the society experienced in its early days, was a proper place for its meetings, and for the preservation of its "library," and curiosities. While C. K. Smith was secretary of the Territory, the meetings were generally held in his office and he took care of the society's collections. After his hasty leaving the Territory, in the fall of 1851, all the books collected up to that time, mostly public documents, presented by Congressman Sibley, were lost. It was not until November, 1855, that a room was provided for the occupancy of the society in the new capitol, and it has enjoyed the use of apartments in the state house ever since that date, excepting for a few months at a more recent period.

THE DAKOTA LEXICON.

In 1851, an important contribution to philology was secured through the co-operation of the society, viz., the Grammar and Dictionary of the Dakota Language, written by Rev. S. R. Riggs, assisted by Rev. Messrs. G. H. and Samuel W. Pond, and Dr. T. S. Williamson, the missionaries to the Sioux. The cost of printing the work, and its necessarily small sale, would have been an insuperable barrier to its publication, had not this society, by means of committees appointed for that purpose, procured subscribers enough to justify the expense of the work, and thus gave to our aboriginal literature this valuable contribution. It forms Volume 4, of the Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge.

Hon. C. K. Smith, having left the territory in November, 1851, Rev. E. D. Neill was chosen as secretary of the society in his place, and at once commenced active exertions to place the society on a successful footing, and to collect all possible material for the history of Minnesota. A considerable portion of the published collections of the society from that time to 1864, were written by him, and, during some years, his services to the society as secretary were of the highest value.

The means of the society were very limited during this period, (1850-56). The membership was small, and the amount which could be secured from annual dues did not allow of much outlay except for the barest necessary expenses, printing, postage, etc. No books were purchased for some years after this period, but many good ones were donated. Meantime, the annual meetings of the society had been regularly held in public, in-

portant and valuable papers read and addresses delivered, which, with other contributions concerning the early history of Minnesota, were published in pamphlet form under the title, "Annals of the Minnesota Historical Society," during the years 1850, 1851, 1852 and 1853, and circulated as widely as the means of the society would permit. The editions were small, however, and ultimately the society was compelled to reprint them, becoming Vol. 1, of its regular series of publications. During this period, we find the names of the following gentlemen mentioned in the minutes, as among the most active members: Rev. E. D. Neill, H. H. Sibley, Henry M. Rice, Charles E. Mayo, Col. D. A. Robertson, Alex Ramsey, Geo. L. Becker, Aaron Goodrich, Peter Berkely, R. R. Nelson, J. W. Bond, Thomas Foster, Parker Paine, Theo. French, W. G. LeDuc, and Wm. Hollinshead. Several of the above are still active members.

APARTMENTS IN THE NEW CAPITOL SECURED.

Most of the meetings of the society had hitherto been held at chance places, professional offices of its members, etc., but it now seemed necessary to have some secure and permanent location. Jan. 17, 1854, it was voted "that Messrs. Olmsted and LeDuc be a committee to procure from the proper authorities, a room in the capitol, for the use of the society." It was not, however, until Nov. 27, 1855, that the minutes record: "The society met for the first time in the hall set apart in the capitol for their use, and properly furnished with shelves for the reception of books and other donations." It was agreed that Mr. Richard Walker, (a law student), have the use of the room during the winter, for taking charge of it. This was a room in the rear wing of the old capitol. It was also used by Judge Sherburne, as his chambers. It was not over eighteen feet square. The entire "library" of the society was shelved in a stained pine book case, about five feet wide and seven in height. This was destroyed in the fire of 1881.

PURCHASE OF A BUILDING SITE.

At the same period (1855), the improved condition of the society seemed to call for some special exertions to provide a building for its use. One necessary preliminary step was to secure a site. This was accomplished by the sale of sixty-two life memberships, at \$25 each, and two very eligible lots, on the northwest corner of Wabasha and 10th streets were purchased in December, 1855, for \$1,531. To Col. Daniel A. Robertson is due the credit of conceiving and carrying to a successful conclusion this scheme, which, though its expected benefits, were not immediately realized, was an important move for the society, as the property, then purchased, is now valued at \$50,000.

Important legislation was secured at the session of 1856: an amended charter for the society was passed, which gave it additional powers and privileges, and firmly established it as an institution of the State. An executive council of twenty-five members was created. The legislature also authorized an annual grant of \$500 to the society, to aid it in carrying on its work; and a joint resolution was also adopted, requesting Rev. E. D. Neill, secretary of the society, to prepare a compilation of materials for the History of Minnesota, of which 1,500 copies were ordered printed.

A LIBRARY BUILDING BEGUN.

The rapid increase of population about this time, and also the sudden enhancement of value (*i. e.*, the supposed value) of real estate, and the ease of the money market consequent on the speculative mania which was prevailing, having the appearance of a *real* increase of wealth, led the Society to the belief that money enough could be raised by subscription to erect a building on their property and, perhaps, with too little deliberation it was resolved to commence the same. On June 24, 1856, the corner-stone of the proposed hall was laid with Masonic and military ceremonies. An oration was pronounced by Lt. M. F. Maury, U. S. N., and a number of distinguished guests were in attendance. A procession, composed of all the civic societies of St. Paul and other towns in the territory, with a military escort, composed of Capt. Thos. W. Sherman's celebrated light battery from Fort Snelling, marched through the principal streets, forming a holiday fete of considerable magnificence. The foundation walls of the building were completed, and there the work ceased and was never resumed, after a debt of several hundred dollars had been incurred, which was not liquidated for some years. The whole movement seems (at this day) to have been premature and ill-advised. No mode of raising the \$15,000, necessary for the building, had been determined on, nor a cent subscribed toward it, nor had a plan for the building ever been adopted. The inflated condition and ease of the money market at the date mentioned, had led the members of the society to believe that the means necessary could be raised without trouble. This would probably have been the case, but before any further funds were secured, the financial revulsion of 1857 supervened, and all further effort to complete the building was abandoned.

In the summer of 1857, the capitol building caught fire and narrowly escaped destruction. Some loss occurred to the society's collections by the haste in which they were removed. One of the books injured at that time was a second time damaged, in the fire of March 1, 1881.

THE STRUGGLES OF THE SOCIETY TO LIVE.

In January, 1858, Wm. H. Kelley, Esq., a very accomplished gentleman and a thorough antiquarian, was appointed actuary of the society, for want of which officer, but little progress had hitherto been made in collecting a library, but which now rapidly increased. Mr. Kelley was in daily attendance at the rooms, and put successful measures in operation to attract gifts and receive co-operation. It had been the intention that his salary should be partly defrayed by collections of membership fees. The annual fee for members was, at that date, \$5.00. But the period of the severest financial stringency following the panic of 1857 now set in. Everybody felt the pressure severely, and in this condition of things, new members were received very slowly. To add to the troubles of the society, the state appropriation of \$500 annually, owing to the depreciation of the treasury warrants, scarcely brought more than 50 cents on the dollar in current money. In view of these facts, Mr. Kelley, after a year or so of faithful efforts, gave up the work which he was carrying on with such promise, and the doors of the society were closed to the public. Even the small appropriation granted by the State was withdrawn, and not renewed until 1864, when the finances of the State had become more bright. and to crown its other misfortunes, the modest apartment it then occu-

pied in the north side of the eastern wing of the capitol, being needed for one of the departments of the state government, the society was compelled to vacate the same, and its collections were for some months packed away in a rear room, devoted to other uses, where they were exposed to loss by theft.

This suspension of its work, at a period when so much could have been done with adequate means, a period so fraught with historic events and rich in material which could only be secured at the time, was a very serious injury to the society. It was absolutely left without means to pay a postage bill. Its membership was small, and composed of men affected severely by the monetary stringency. Besides, it would have been difficult to have raised money for an institution which had practically ceased work. Mr. Neill, Col. D. A. Robertson, Gov. Ramsey, Charles E. Mayo, Mr. A. J. Hill and one or two other devoted ones, were about all who attempted to carry on the society's work during this discouraging period. During 1858 and 1859 there appear to have been no formal meetings of the Executive Council, or at least none are recorded. In 1860, a public annual meeting was held, and an address delivered by Lieut. Governor Ignatius Donnelly; and in Jan. 1861, an annual meeting, at which Hon. James W. Lynd made the address, the legislature forming the main part of the audience. A memorandum in the minute book here sadly records, "No meetings for three years!"

The breaking out of the civil war was a farther blow to the Society. Rev. E. D. Neill, its faithful and devoted secretary, was appointed a chaplain, and resigned his office, not returning to the State for eight or nine years afterwards. Mr. A. J. Hill enlisted in the service and was absent for three years. Both of these gentlemen, as opportunity offered, bore the Society in mind during their absence, and sent to it original historical papers, which were subsequently published, but the Society itself was practically dead.

A RESUSCITATION EFFECTED.

Towards the close of 1863, several members, among them D. A. Robertson, Wm. R. Marshall, Wm. H. Kelley, Peter Berkey, Charles E. Mayo and A. H. Cathcart, resolved on an effort to resuscitate the Society, and the meetings were resumed. Several gentlemen interested in historical pursuits were elected to membership, among them Capt. Russell Blakeley, Rev. John Mattocks, Rev. S. Y. McMasters, R. O. Sweeny, D. W. Ingersoll, J. Fletcher Williams, etc., all of whom became active members. Thus reinforced the Society took a fresh start. Geo. Ramsey having been elected to the United States senate in February, 1863, Hon. H. M. Rice was chosen president, and Charles E. Mayo, secretary. As there was no room suitable for meetings in the capitol, for some months the Society met in the rooms of the St. Paul Library. Meantime, most of its collections were still stored in one of the rooms of the capitol. The State legislature of 1864 renewed the annual appropriation of \$500, and the Society began once more to move on its way successfully. From this time on, the meetings were held regularly. Mr. Geo. W. Fahnestock, a Philadelphia gentleman, then residing temporarily in St. Paul, for his wife's health, made the Society liberal gifts of money and books, which aided it greatly. An apartment in Ingersoll's block was rented for its use.

A NEW PERIOD OF PROSPERITY.

The annual meeting in 1867, and the period closely following it, witnessed still further accessions to the working roll, among them Geo. A. Hamilton, Rev. John Ireland, Josiah B. Chaney, Henry P. Upham, John D. Ludden, and others; while Mr. A. J. Hill, now "home from the wars," and Judge Goodrich, returned from Brussels, after an absence of several years, again took their places in the ranks of workers. Gen. H. H. Sibley was chosen president, and J. Fletcher Williams, secretary and librarian. From this period dates the most successful era of the Society.

Mr. Williams was a native of Cincinnati, O., and came to St. Paul in 1855, where he engaged in journalism. Having always had a great fondness for the study of history, especially that relating to the West, this naturally led him to writing articles for the daily papers on which he was employed about the early history of Minnesota, and he thus became intimately acquainted with most of its pioneers and early settlers, whose reminiscences he was endeavoring to secure. When the Minnesota Historical Society was resurrected, in 1864, he joined it and became one of its most zealous members. When elected secretary and librarian, in January, 1867, he was still engaged in the laborious and exacting duties of a city reporter, and had but little leisure for the actual work of the Society, or opportunity to be in attendance at its rooms. But as an offset to this, his duties led him to visit and converse with a number of persons daily, and this gave him an excellent opportunity to press the claims of the Society, to increase its membership, to solicit gifts for it, and to further its objects generally, and also to keep the Society and its objects prominently before the public, by frequent allusions thereto, in the columns of the daily journals. All these efforts bore good fruit, and the collections of the Society and its roll of active and paying members increased rapidly. In the annual report of the secretary, read January 20, 1868, he presents this encouraging outlook:

"Never, during any previous year of the Society, have we made such rapid, solid and substantial progress, as this year. Indeed, in some respects, we have accomplished more than in all the previous career of the Society. Our members have largely increased; our library and cabinet have almost doubled; our exchange list has been enlarged, and made to yield us valuable returns; our finances have been greatly improved; our list of correspondents and donors more than trebled; an interest and pride awakened in the Society among all classes of our citizens; our effectiveness greatly increased by means of Standing Committees, who have been appointed for the first time this year; through the repeated publication of our proceedings by the press of the State, the name of the Historical Society has become familiar to all our citizens, where a few months ago it was almost unknown; while our meetings, once slimly attended, and frequently without a quorum, are now too large for our limited rooms to accommodate." This year, also, began the purchase of books for the library, which has been systematically kept up ever since.

ONCE MORE IN THE STATE HOUSE.

This encouraging picture showed the necessity of better facilities for carrying on the work of the Society. It was resolved that a vigorous effort should be made to secure apartments in the State capitol again which the Society had ceded, on account of the crowded condition of the

building. The only available room seemed to be in the basement. This was, as yet, unoccupied and unfinished. On looking it over, it was found that very suitable and commodious rooms could be prepared there, and an outlay for this purpose was so ordered by the legislature of 1868. This was a great gain to the Society, and enabled it to advance faster than ever. Its library and museum now began to make a fine appearance, and was visited more largely than formerly. The rapid increase of the work attached to the office of Secretary and Librarian, severely taxed the time of that officer, as he was still pursuing his profession of journalist, and could only give to his Historical Society work such leisure as he could snatch from his newspaper duties, and this without any compensation from the Society. Ultimately, this became so onerous, that Mr. Williams found that he would be compelled to withdraw from official work for the Society: but the other members were unwilling to permit this, and it was suggested that some steps be taken to induce the legislature to increase the annual allowance to the Society, so as to employ his entire time for its work.

LIBERAL GRANT FROM THE STATE.

At the next session, (1869) this was proposed, and met with no opposition, an act being passed allowing the society \$2,000 per year, to pay all its expenses. This was an important event in the history of the society, as it was the commencement of that liberal patronage on the part of the State, which has enabled the society to achieve such splendid success. Mr. Williams withdrew from journalism in April, 1869, and has since that time devoted himself entirely to the work of the society.

Although the society had little trouble in getting its first appropriation, in 1869, its attempts to renew it year after year, met with persistent opposition from members of the legislature, who could not see any use in such an institution. Several times the bill to appropriate money to it was defeated, and only by vigorous efforts of the secretary, was resuscitated and finally carried. The various sums voted during these years, were: 1868-1870, \$2,000; 1871-1875, \$2,500; 1876-1880, \$3,000; 1881-1882, \$4,000 1883-1892, \$6,000.

By these liberal appropriations, the library grew rapidly both by purchase and gift, and the publication of its collections was continued steadily. Its membership increased, also, gratifyingly. Its printed annual (more lately, biennial) reports, show a continual and rapid advance in all departments of its work. Twice, its apartments were increased by additions made to the capitol, and still seemed too small for the growing collections of the society.

LITIGATION BETWEEN PARTIES IN THE SOCIETY.

But in the year 1878, a cloud arose in the sky, which, seemed for a time to be fraught with protentious consequences to the society. Judge Aaron Goodrich, a charter member, and for some years an active and liberal worker of the society, conceived the idea that the latter had been organized and carried on in an illegal manner, contrary to the intent and meaning of its charter. In short, that the charter conferred powers and rights, and membership, only on the nineteen corporators named in that instrument, and on successors to such of them as should die, to be chosen by their survivors, the number to never consist of more than nineteen: and that, in consequence, the action of the society, in electing other per-

sons as members by ballot, during nearly thirty years, and conferring on them the right to participate in the management of the society, was illegal, and not contemplated by the framers of the law. It is somewhat curious that Judge Goodrich had never, prior to this date, broached this surprising theory at a meeting of the society, although he attended them regularly, nor did he ever speak of the matter to any of the active members, while he had, himself, frequently proposed persons for membership; but he went secretly to work to call a meeting of the surviving incorporators, seven in number, whom he falsely informed that if two or more of them should die, "it would reduce the number of members of the society to less than a quorum, and the organization and chartered rights would lapse." Consequently he asserted, it would be necessary for them to elect successors to those who had died since 1849. His statements regarding this having been accepted by them without investigation, the action advised by him was taken, and a list of members which the Judge proposed was so elected, composed mostly of his personal intimates. Among them were some who had never been members of the society and had shown no interest in it. Articles of incorporation were drawn up by them and filed with the Secretary of State. Their publication in the journals next day was the first intimation which the other members had of the action taken.

THE ACTION OF "QUO WARRANTO."

Thus it came about that there were two bodies, or organizations, each claiming to be the legal and genuine "Minnesota Historical Society." An effort was made at once, to adjust the difference between the two contestants, but this was found impossible. Matters went on thus for some months. Great efforts were made by the members to prevent publicity of these disagreements, but of course this could not be successful long, and the newspapers soon published exaggerated and incorrect accounts of the contest. The legislature finally brought the disputants to a settlement, by enacting that the State appropriation should only be given to that party which should establish its rights before the courts. The old organization then proceeded to bring an action of *quo warranto* in the supreme court of the State against the new claimants. After some months, that court filed a decision (written by Justice Cornell, since deceased) that the respondents had no grounds for their claim, and that they be ousted from jurisdiction. This decision was generally acquiesced in, and the whole controversy was soon forgotten by both parties. It might be proper to say here, that it did not in the least interfere with the work of the Society, which went on as successfully as ever, and there was complete cordiality of feeling between the two wings. The legal expenses of this contest which were considerable, were paid by subscriptions of the members, and no part was taken from the state appropriation.

Twice the Society celebrated anniversaries of events connected with the settlement of the Northwest. On May 1, 1867, it formally celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of the visit of Capt. Jonathan Carver to the cave now within the limits of St. Paul, and his treaty with the Indians there. These proceedings were afterwards published. On July 1880, the society also celebrated at St. Anthony's Falls, the 200th anniversary of the discovery of said falls, by Father Louis Hennepin. Addresses were made, and poems read, a collation served &c., and the entire proceedings were very interesting, to the immense crowd assembled. A full account of the event has been published in the society's collections.

THE DISASTROUS FIRE OF 1881.

From time to time, had been agitated by the Society, the question of erecting its long contemplated fire-proof library building, a measure imperatively needed, in view of the presence of such a valuable collection as the society owned, in an inflammable building like the State capitol. The destruction by fire was frequently predicted, and always feared. On March 1, 1881, at nine o'clock p. m. the fatal hour came! The capitol was found to be on fire in the dome. Both houses of legislature were in session, and a large crowd of spectators in attendance. Vigorous efforts were made at once by the latter to save the valuable library of the Historical Society. The doors and windows leading to the society's apartments were thrown open, and soon two or three score of men were busily engaged in carrying out armfuls of books and depositing them on the seats of the Unitarian Church near by. Thus, in an hour, before the fire penetrated to the society's rooms, almost every book and pamphlet belonging to its library were safely carried out. The contents of two inner rooms (mostly duplicates) were destroyed, together with all the book cases, and some other property. It was miraculous, how the splendid library of the society was saved with but little loss, and no damage to speak of. Much of the cabinet, however, was lost, stolen probably. Apartments were at once furnished the society in the newly finished market house of the city, and the library was moved into it, and rearranged. In a few weeks, all was running again smoothly. The apartments were dark, damp, and unhealthy, but the society got along after a fashion there for two years, and made some progress, until in April, 1883, when the new capitol building was completed, and the library moved thither again, into some apartments very nearly situated as those which the society has occupied before the fire. The insurance companies meantime had paid the society \$8,585 in payment of its losses, though over \$10,000 was claimed.

ONCE MORE IN THE STATE HOUSE.

As soon as the library was again arranged in its new quarters, the necessity of a complete catalogue seemed urgent. Miss Mary B. Merriam, a professional cataloguer of the highest skill, who, (fortunately for us) was just then out of an engagement, was employed, and spent two years on the work. The next step was the printing of the catalogue, which also consumed some time, and was not completed until April, 1888. The entire cost of the catalogue was \$8,500.

During this period, the society received some accessions of members, whose names appear frequently on its minutes, as active workers, viz: Gen. John B. Sanborn, Charles E. Flandrau, E. F. Drake, Henry L. Carver and W. P. Clough. Of the thirty members of the executive council, fourteen have been active members and constant attendants, for twenty-two years, and some for a still longer period. The *personnel* of the executive council has changed less than almost any other body in the State.

J. F. W.

August, 1889.

APPENDIX B.

LIST OF DONORS.

I. INDIVIDUALS.

	Bound Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Adams, Augusta J., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Adams, Charles Francis, Boston.....	1	1
Adams, F. G., Topeka, Kan.....	..	1
Adams, Rev. M. N., Goodwill, S. D.....	..	1
Adams, Saml. E., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Ames, John G., Washington, D. C.....	..	1
Armstrong, Hon. M. K., St. James, Minn.....	2	..
Ayer, Mrs. E. T., Belle Prairie, Minn.....	1	..
Babbitt, Miss Franc C., Coldwater, Mich.....	..	3
Barker, J. G., New York.....	..	41
Barr, Mrs. Geo. T., Mankato, Minn.....	4	..
Barton, E. M., Worcester, Mass.....	..	2
Benson, Jared, Anoka, Minn.....	1	..
Blakeley, Capt. R., St. Paul.....	6	3
Blanchard, Rufus, Chicago, Ill.....	..	1
Block, M. J., Baltimore.....	..	3
Bolton, A. L., St. Paul.....	..	2
Boynton, N. S., Port Huron, Mich.....	1	1
Bradlee, C. D., Boston.....	..	8
Bray, N. J., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Brigham, J. E., St. Paul.....	..	16
Brock, R. A., Richmond, Va.....	..	1
Bromley, E. A., Minneapolis.....	1	3
Brower, J. V., St. Paul.....	..	2
Brown, Hon. F. P., St. Paul.....	36	..
Canfield, T. H., Burlington, Vt.....	1	2
Castle, Henry A., St. Paul.....	..	3
Castle, J. N., Stillwater, Minn.....	..	1
Chaney, J. B., St. Paul.....	10	69
Charde, W. D., Kansas City.....	..	1
Chatfield, E. C., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Cleveland, J. R., St. Paul.....	1	..
Collett, O. C., St. Louis, Mo.....	..	1
Conley, C. C., Philadelphia.....	..	21
Corning, Edward, St. Paul.....	1	..
Curtis, Wm. E., Washington.....	4	..
Davenport, E. J., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Davis, C. K., St. Paul.....	4	12
Demarest, Rev. G. L., Manchester, N. H.....	..	5
De Peyster, J. W., Tivoli, N. Y.....	..	11
Detzer, Rev. J. A., St. Paul.....	..	1
Dorival, N. E., Caledonia, Minn.....	..	10
Dove, P. Edward, London.....	1	..
Dunnell, M. H., Owatonna, Minn.....	..	2
Durant, E. F., Stillwater, Minn.....	..	1
Edwards, Rev. M. N., St. Paul.....	..	2
Egan, John M., St. Paul.....	..	5
Espy, John, St. Paul.....	..	..

	Bound Vols.	Pamph lets.
Fairchild, H. S., St. Paul.....	3	8
Fales, E. G., St. Paul.....	..	1
Farwell, Osmun, Kirk & Co., St. Paul.....	1	..
Flandrau, C. E., St. Paul.....	..	1
Folwell, W. W., Minneapolis.....	1	5
French, A. D. Wild, Boston.....	1	..
Gannett, Henry, Washington.....	..	5
Gatschet, Albert S., Washington.....	..	7
Grant, Wm. H., St. Paul.....	119	10
Gordon, H. L., Duluth, Minn.....	1	..
Green, Dr. Samuel A., Boston.....	21	31
Gregg, O. C., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Griffin, Wm. E., Boston.....	1	..
Hackett, C. W., St. Paul.....	1	..
Hadden, Archibald, Minneapolis.....	..	1
Hall, Edw. W. Waterville, Minn.....	..	2
Harrity, Wm. F., Harrisburg, Pa.....	6	..
Haupt, Rev. A. J. D., St. Paul.....	..	1
Hazen, Henry A., Boston.....	4	..
Hazen, John M., Minneapolis.....	3	..
Hazzard, Geo. H., St. Paul.....	..	4
Heatwole, Joel, Northfield, Minn.....	..	1
Helmn, J. E., St. Paul.....	13	..
Herod, Clay D., Topeka, Kas.....	..	6
Hill, Alf. J., St. Paul.....	..	4
Hill, Hamilton A., Boston.....	2	15
Hobart, Mrs. C., Red Wing, Minn.....	..	1
Holly, Henry W., Tacoma, Wash.....	4	..
Holt, George D., Minneapolis.....	..	2
Hughes, G. T., Duluth.....	..	3
Jennings, Rev. H. C., Red Wing, Minn.....	..	1
Johnson, Charles F., Duluth.....	1	35
Johnson, R. W., St. Paul.....	..	1
Johnson, Charles W., Minneapolis.....	4	2
Jones, W. A. B., Helena, Mont.....	..	32
Keith, M. C., Minneapolis.....	3	2
Kelley, Wm. H., St. Paul.....	..	1
Kelton, Capt. D. H., U. S. A.....	..	1
Kimball, Nathaniel F.....	1	..
Kirk, Thos H., St. Paul.....	47	171
Knox, Henry M., Minneapolis.....	1	3
Knight, H. A., Minneapolis.....	..	3
Savage, G. N., Duluth.....	2	2
Edgerwood, Geo. E., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Lewis, Theo. H., St. Paul.....	6	161
Lochren, Wm. Minneapolis.....	..	1
Long, Peter, St. Paul.....	..	1
Luce, Clint. L., Albert Lea, Minn.....	..	1
Ludden, John D., St. Paul.....	..	139
McClevey, W. S., Indianapolis.....	..	14
McDonald, F. S., Minneapolis.....	..	2
McGillivray, J. A., Toronto, Canada.....	..	7
McLaughlin, A. C., Ann Arbor, Mich.....	..	1
Mahoney, P. M., St. Paul.....	..	1
Martin, Ellen S., Minneapolis.....	12	115
Marvin, Richard, St. Paul.....	8	..
Mattson, Hans, Minneapolis.....	2	..
Merriam, Wm. R., St. Paul.....	1	..
Minneapolis Journal Co., Minneapolis.....	1	..
Mitchell, Rev. E. C., St. Paul.....	13	..
Montgomery, James M., New York.....	1	..
Montgomery, Thomas, St. Paul.....	2	8
Moore, J. K., St. Anthony Park.....	..	2
Mott, Henry.....	1	2

	Bound Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Neill, Rev. E. D., St. Paul.....	..	3
Nelson, R. R., St. Paul.....	2	..
Nelson, Samuel, Buffalo, N. Y.....	..	11
Newson, T. M., Malaga, Spain.....	..	5
Nicholson, J. P. Philadelphia.....	1	1
North, Professor Edward, Clinton, N. Y.....	..	7
Norris, Don N., Minneapolis.....	35	237
Northrop, Dr. Cyrus, Minneapolis.....	..	1
Norton, Dr. A. K., Minneapolis.....	2	..
Noyes, Professor J. L., Faribault.....	1	..
Nye, W. G., Minneapolis.....	..	6
Olson, O., Wilmar, Minn.....	..	2
Orr, Grier M., St. Paul.....	..	4
Parker, B. F., Milwaukee.....	..	5
Pattee, W. S., Minneapolis.....	..	2
Parvin, T. S., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	1	2
Phelps, Wm. F., St. Paul.....	..	1
Pierce, S. L., St. Paul.....	1	..
Pillsbury, John S., Minneapolis.....	1	..
Pollock, S. L., St. Paul.....	..	11
Pond, Samuel W., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Poole, Dr. William F., Chicago.....	..	2
Pope, Albert A. Boston.....	..	1
Powers, L. G., St. Paul.....	12	50
Ramaley, David, St. Paul.....	..	1
Ramsey, Alex., St. Paul.....	3	384
Ravoux, Rev. A., St. Paul.....	2	..
Regan, Wm. M., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Rice, W. C., Zumbrota.....	..	4
Riggs, Rev. A. L., Santee Agency, Neb.....	1	..
Roberts, M. F., Kenosha, Wis.....	..	1
Robson, W. O., Boston.....	..	1
Sanborn, J. B., St. Paul.....	5	..
Seward, V. E., Stillwater.....	..	1
Sheire, Geo. H., St. Paul.....	..	4
Sibley, H. H., estate of, St. Paul.....	52	..
Shields, James, St. Paul.....	4	1
Simmon, Karl, St. Paul.....	..	3
Slack, Prof., H. W., St. Paul.....	..	49
Slaffter, Rev. E. F., Boston.....	..	4
Smith, Dr. C. E., St. Paul.....	5	..
Smith, Hon. C. H., St. Paul.....	..	2019
Smucker, Isaac, Newark, O.....	..	5
Snider, Hon. S. P., Minneapolis.....	..	1
Stephens, W. H., Lowville, N. Y.....	..	1
Stevens, H. F., St. Paul.....	..	1
Stevens, Col. John H., Minneapolis.....	2	..
Stowe, Rev. A. D., Stillwater.....	1	2
Strong, Dr. J. W., Northfield Minn.....	..	2
Swan, Robert T., Baltimore.....	..	2
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Tanner, Rev. James, Fairbault.....	1	..
Taylor, H. K., St. Paul.....	..	8
Taylor, W. H. H., St. Paul.....	..	12
TenBrook, W. G., Duluth.....	1	..
Thornton, Hiram, Anoka.....	..	5
Thwaites, R. G., Madison, Wis.....	..	1
Thwing, Rev. E. P., Brooklyn, N. Y.....	1	..
Todd, Irving, Hastings, Minn.....	..	47
Trask, W. B., Boston.....	..	1
Trimble, J., Washington, D. C.....	..	21
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Wade, E. P., St. Paul.....	71	74
Waiter, Alf., Worcester, Mass.....	..	1

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Walker, J. B., Concord, Mass.....	..	1
Warnock, Adam, Boston, Mass.....	1	..
Washburn, Hon. W. D., Minneapolis.....	8	..
Weber, Charles, St. Paul.....	..	34
Webber, Frederic, New York.....	3	..
Weir, A. Stanley, Boston.....	..	1
Wheeler, L. G., Minneapolis.....	..	15
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Williams, J. Fletcher, St. Paul.....	36	93
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Wilstach, John A., Lafayette, Ind.....	..	1
Winchell, N. H., Minneapolis.....	15	2
Winslow, Arthur, Jefferson City, Mo.....	..	4
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Academie Royale, Copenhagen.....	..	7
Adams Nervine Asylum, Jamaica Plain, Mass.....	..	1
Albert Lea College, Albert Lea, Minn.....	..	2
American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.....	..	2
American Association for the Advancement of Science.....	..	1
American Bankers' Association, New York.....	..	1
American Bar Association, Philadelphia.....	7	1
American Catholic Association, Philadelphia.....	..	4
American Congregational Association, Boston.....	..	3
American Geographical Society, New York.....	..	2
American Historical Association, Washington.....	..	5
American Jewish Historical Society, New York.....	..	1
American Library Bureau, Boston.....	..	1
American Metrical Society, Boston.....	..	1
American Museum of Natural History, New York.....	..	4
American Protective League, New York.....	..	51
American Unitarian Association, Boston.....	..	38
Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.....	..	2
Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, Mass.....	..	2
Astor Library, New York.....	..	2
Auburn Theological Seminary, Auburn, N. Y.....	..	2
Augustana College, Rock Island, Ill.....	..	2
Australian Royal Geographical Society (Brisbane).....	..	6
Baldwin school, St. Paul.....	..	2
Baltimore, Corn and Flour Exchange.....	..	1
Barnard school, St. Paul.....	..	1
Beloit college, Beloit, Wis.....	..	1
Boston Associated Charities.....	..	3
Benevolent Fraternity of Churches.....	..	4
Children's Aid Society.....	..	2
Children's Hospital.....	..	1
City Hospital.....	1	2
Gwynne Temporary Home for Children.....	..	2
Home for Aged Men.....	..	3
Home for Good Samaritan.....	..	2
Overseers of the Poor.....	..	1
Park Commissioners.....	..	1
Provident Association.....	..	1
Public Library.....	..	8
University.....	..	2
Bostonian Society.....	..	5
Bowdoin college, Brunswick, Me.....	..	1
Brooklyn library, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	..	4

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Brookline library, Brookline, Mass.....	..	1
Buffalo Historical Society, Buffalo, N. Y.....	2	8
Buffalo Merchants' Exchange, Buffalo, N. Y.....	..	2
Brown university, Providence, R. I.....	..	2
Bryn Mawr college, Bryn Mawr, Pa.....	..	2
California State university, Berkeley, Cal.....	..	6
California State Agricultural college, Berkeley, Cal.....	..	1
California State mineralogist.....	..	1
Canadien, St. Paul.....	1	..
Carlton College, Northfield, Minn.....	..	2
Case School of Applied Sciences, Cleveland, O.....	..	2
Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C.....	..	6
Cayuga Historical Society, Auburn, N. Y.....	..	2
Chicago, Board of Trade.....	1	..
College of Physicians and Surgeons.....	..	2
Public Library.....	2	5
Rush Medical College.....	..	1
Sunset Club.....	1	..
Theological Seminary.....	..	1
University.....	..	12
Chicago, West, Park Commissioners.....	..	2
Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.....	10	15
Public Library.....	..	1
Cleveland, Board of Trade.....	..	1
Cobden Club, London, Eng.....	..	1
Colby University, Waterville, Me.....	..	1
Colorado School of Mines, Golden.....	..	1
Columbia, Republic of.....	1	1
Connecticut Historical Society.....	..	1
Humane Society, Hartford.....	..	1
Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.....	..	1
Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minn.....	..	2
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H.....	..	2
Dedham Historical Register, Dedham, Mass.....	..	2
Historical Society, Dedham, Mass.....	2	..
Delaware Historical Society, Wilmington, Del.....	2	..
Democratic National Committee, New York.....	..	22
Denver Chamber of Commerce.....	..	2
De Pauw University, Greencastle, Ind.....	..	1
Detroit Board of Trade.....	..	2
Dispatch Printing Co., St. Paul.....	1	..
Duluth Board of Education.....	..	1
Board of Public Works.....	..	3
Board of Trade.....	..	1
Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.....	..	11
Fargo College, Fargo, N. D.....	..	1
Great Northern Railroad Co., St. Paul.....	..	4
Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn.....	..	2
Hamline University, St. Paul.....	..	2
Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y.....	..	1
Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.....	..	2
Hartford, Conn., Theological Seminary.....	..	4
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.....	1	3
Library.....	..	29
Helena, Mont., Board of Trade.....	..	4
Free Public Library.....	..	1
Hope Academy, Moorehead, Minn.....	..	1
Huguenot Society of America.....	..	1
Illinois State Historical Library, Springfield.....	..	1
Illinois State University.....	..	1
Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis.....	..	4
Iowa College, Grinnell, Iowa.....	..	1
Iowa Historical Society, Iowa City.....	..	3
State University, Iowa City.....	..	2

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Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.....	..	1
Kansas Historical Society, Topeka.....	..	4
Kansas University, Lawrence.....	..	3
Kansas City Commercial Exchange.....	..	1
Knox College, Galesburg, Ill.....	..	1
LaCrosse Board of Trade.....	..	1
Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.	2
Lake Forest University, Lake Forest, Ill.....	..	4
Laval University, Quebec.....	..	2
Los Angeles Historical Society.....	..	1
Public Library.....	..	4
Louisville Board of Trade.....	..	1
Loyal Legion, Commandery of Minn., St. Paul.....	..	25
Lutheran Augustana Book Concern, Rock Island.....	..	8
McGill College, Montreal.....	..	2
Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society, Winnipeg.....	..	4
Mankato, Minn., Normal School.....	..	2
Marietta College, Marietta, O.....	..	2
Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore.....	..	5
Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics.....	2	..
College of Pharmacy.....	..	1
General Hospital.....	..	2
Historical Society.....	2	..
Horticultural Society.....	..	11
Institute of Teachers.....	..	5
Medical Society.....	..	2
School for Feeble Minded.....	..	1
Secretary of the Commonwealth.....	2	..
Soldiers' Home, Chelsea.....	..	1
Memphis Merchant's Exchange.....	..	2
Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, O.....	..	2
Michigan Mining School, Houghton, Mich.....	..	6
Michigan Pioneer Association, Lansing.....	..	1
Michigan State Library, Lansing.....	29	1
Michigan University, Ann Arbor.....	..	2
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce.....	..	1
Public Library.....	..	10
Minneapolis Academy, Minneapolis, Minn.....	..	2
Academy of Sciences.....	..	1
Associated Charities.....	..	1
Board of Education.....	..	1
Board of Health.....	..	3
City Clerk.....	2	..
College of Physicians and Surgeons.....	..	1
Journal Company.....	1	..
Maternal Hospital.....	..	1
Public Library.....	..	4
Northwestern Hospital.....	..	1
Sisterhood of Bethany.....	..	2
Young Men's Christian Association.....	..	8
Minnesota Labor Bureau.....	..	2
State Agricultural Society.....	2	..
University.....	..	2
University Agricultural College Exp Sta.....	..	12
Masonic Relief Association.....	..	1
Missouri Geological Survey.....	..	2
Missouri State University, Jefferson City.....	..	1
Moorhead, Minn., Normal School.....	..	2
Mitchell Library, Glasgow, Scotland.....	..	1
Nashotah Home, Nashota, Wis.....	..	1
National Educational Association.....	1	..
National Normal University, Urbana, O.....	..	1
Nebraska State Historical Society, Lincoln.....	5	5
State University.....	..	2

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Newberry Library, Chicago.....	..	2
New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston.....	..	8
Hospital for Women and Children, Boston.....	..	2
Methodist Historical Society, Boston.....	..	2
New Jersey Historical Society, Newark.....	5	59
New South Wales Government.....	1	..
New York (State) Library.....	..	5
University.....	..	2
Board of R. R. Commissioners.....	4	..
New York (City) Bellevue Hospital.....	..	1
Board of Trade and Transportation.....	..	1
Chamber of Commerce.....	1	..
Mercantile Library.....	..	1
Nicaragua Canal Construction Co.....	..	1
North Dakota State University, Grand Forks.....	..	4
Numismatic and Antiquarian Society, Philadelphia.....	..	3
Northern Pacific R. R. Co., New York City.....	..	2
Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.....	..	4
Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, Ind.....	..	2
Nova Scotia Historical Society.....	..	1
Oberlavisches Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften, Görlitz.....	..	2
Oberlin College, Oberlin, O.....	..	4
Conservatory of Music.....	..	1
Theological Seminary.....	..	1
Ohio Historical and Philosophical Society, Cinn. O.....	..	2
Ohio State University, Columbus.....	..	2
University, Athens.....	..	3
Ohio, Secretary of State.....	1	..
Old Colony Historical Society, Taunton, Mass.....	..	1
Omaha Board of Trade.....	..	2
Oneida Historical Society, Utica, N. Y.....	..	4
Parker College, Winnebago City, Minn.....	..	2
Pasadena, Cal., Public Library.....	..	1
Peabody Institute, Baltimore.....	..	2
Pennsylvania State Library.....	31	2
University.....	..	2
Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.....	..	3
Perkin's Institute for the Blind, Boston.....	..	1
Philadelphia Board of Trade.....	..	1
Library Co.....	1	1
Pillsbury Academy, Owatonna, Minn.....	..	1
Portland, Oregon, Chamber of Commerce.....	..	2
Providence, R. I., Public Library.....	..	2
Quebec Literary and Historical Library, Quebec, Canada.....	..	1
Republican National Committee, New York.....	..	27
Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence.....	2	2
Rochester University, Rochester, N. Y.....	..	1
Royal Historical Society, London.....	4	..
Royal Historical Society, Canada.....	1	..
Saint Cloud, Minn., Normal School.....	..	2
St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn.....	..	4
St. Joseph's Academy, St. Paul.....	..	2
St. Louis, Mo., Medical College.....	..	2
Merchants Exchange.....	2	..
Mercantile Library.....	..	1
St. Mary's Hall, Faribault, Minn.....	..	2
St. Paul, Minn., Acker Post, G. A. R.....	1	..
Board of Education.....	..	2
Chamber of Commerce.....	..	1
Civil Engineers' Club.....	2	..
Public Library.....	..	2
Protestant Orphan Asylum.....	..	2
Society for Relief of Poor.....	..	1
St. Olaf's College, Northfield, Minn.....	..	2

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St. Paul's College, St. Paul Park.....	..	2
Salem, Mass., Public Library.....	..	2
San Francisco Board of Trade.....	..	1
Mercantile Library.....	..	3
Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn.....	..	2
South Dakota Agr. Col., Exp. Sta., Brookings, S. D.....	..	19
South Dakota University, East Pierre, S. D.....	..	3
Southern California Historical Society, Los Angeles, Cal..	..	4
Stanford Leland Junior University, Palo Alto, Cal.....	..	7
Surrey Archaeological Society, London, England.....	..	2
Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pa.....	..	2
Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y.....	..	2
Tennessee Industrial School, Nashville, Tenn.....	..	2
Toronto, Canada, University.....	..	2
Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.....	..	1
Tufts College, College Hill, Mass.....	..	2
Tulane University, New Orleans.....	..	2
United States Agricultural Department.....	1	56
Board of Geographical Names.....	..	1
Bureau of American Republics.....	..	7
Bureau of Education.....	2	3
Bureau of Ethnology.....	1	3
Census Bureau.....	..	234
Chief Engineer.....	6	..
Civil Service Commission.....	2	1
Coast Survey.....	1	..
Commissioner of Labor.....	2	..
Commissioner of Pensions.....	..	1
Geological Survey.....	2	24
Interior Department.....	52	24
Interstate Commerce Commission.....	2	..
Military Academy.....	..	2
National Museum.....	..	2
Naval Observatory.....	..	3
Patent Office.....	..	48
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State Department.....	3	23
War Department.....	21	..
Union College, Schenectady, N. Y.....	..	2
Union University, Albany.....	..	1
Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, Va.....	..	1
Virginia State University, Charlottesville.....	..	2
Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Ind.....	..	2
Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.....	..	3
Washington Historical Society, Tacoma, W.....	..	1
Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass.....	..	2
Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.....	..	1
Westchester County Historical Society, New York.....	..	1
Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O.....	..	1
Williams college, Williamstown, Mass.....	..	2
Windom institute, Montevideo, Minn.....	..	2
Winona, Minn., normal school.....	..	2
Wisconsin Historical Society.....	..	3
Wisconsin University.....	..	2
Worcester Society of Antiquity, Worcester, Mass.....	..	3
Worcester public library.....	..	1
Wyoming Historical and Geological History, Wilkes- barre, Pa.....	..	2
Yale college, New Haven, Conn.....	..	8
Yonkers Historical and Literary Association.....	..	1

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REPORT.

The Minnesota Historical Society, in presenting to the legislature its eighth biennial report, may be pardoned for a reasonable pride in its present prosperous condition, conscious that it has fulfilled the trust imposed upon it by the people of the state. The growth of the society is very gratifying, and, when compared with similar institutions in the older states, the people of Minnesota have reason to be proud of what has been accomplished in comparatively few years, from a very small beginning. When the society has more commodious quarters and a larger income, then can it more fully carry out the purposes for which it was organized. It has about reached the limits of its present quarters, so that it is difficult to provide space for cases to hold the books that are rapidly accumulating. The patronage of the society has increased greatly during the last year. The additions to the library will be shown by the detailed statement.

OBJECTS.

As this report may fall into the hands of some who are not familiar with the objects of the society, it may be well here to explain them.

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the territory, and incorporated by an act of the First Territorial legislature, approved Oct. 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the territory, and its "library," consisting then of only a few volumes, was the first ever established in Minnesota. The original charter of the society stated its objects to be: "The collection and preservation of a library, mineralogical and geological specimens, Indian curiosities and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate, the history and settlement of said territory." The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities and other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science and literature."

The work of this society may therefore be formulated thus:

First—(1) The collection, (2) the preservation, and (3) the publication of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

Second—The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the most valuable departments of knowledge.

Third—The diffusion, among the citizens of the state, of useful knowledge.

LIBRARY INCREASE, AND PRESENT CONDITION.

On the date of our last biennial report, Jan. 1, 1893, there were on our shelves 22,050 bound and 29,732 unbound volumes; total, 51,782 volumes. During the year 1893 there were added 921 bound and 800 unbound volumes, making the total number of volumes on our shelves on Jan. 1, 1894, 53,503. During the year 1894 there were added 1,087 bound and 675 unbound volumes, making a total on Jan. 1, 1895, of 24,058 bound and 31,207 unbound volumes; total, 55,265 volumes.

The bound volumes acquired during the years 1893-1894 were from the following sources: By gift, 1,300, of which 476 were newspapers; by purchase, 708, of which 95 were newspapers.

All of the above were catalogued, requiring the writing of 1,267 cards during 1893 and 974 during 1894; total number of cards on Jan. 1, 1895, 51,847.

Of the newspapers, all were bound by the society. Of the books acquired by gift during 1893 and 1894, 110 were bound by the society.

The preceding figures show a steady increase in the growth of the library. That the people of the state are awakening to the magnitude and importance of our collection, is shown by the large increase in donations of books, manuscripts, pictures and curios, from the people of the state at large, and the society trusts that those who have anything of an interesting or historical character, bearing on the history of Minnesota particularly, and the Northwest, which ought to be placed where it cannot be lost, and will be accessible to those looking after information, will donate it to the society.

A large percentage of those who frequent our rooms seeking information are authors, teachers and scholars, who find on our shelves books that cannot be found elsewhere in the state, and in but few of the older libraries of the East.

Owing to the interest now being taken in colonial, revolutionary and subsequent history, and in genealogies, our very large collection of these works, ranking third or fourth in the United States in size, attracts a large number of people who are looking up their ancestral history. In this search there are a great many historical facts brought to light that might otherwise be overlooked or lost entirely. To this class of books there has been a large number added by donations, many of which could not have been obtained otherwise, being printed for private distribution only. Of the latter, that of the Burhans fam-

ily deserves special mention, it having cost the author, Mr. Samuel Burhans of New York, nearly \$10,000. It is one of the finest specimens of the printer's and binder's art on our shelves.

Among the important works added to our shelves during the past two years there have been a great many on Americana, some of them being very old, rare and quaint, dating back in some instances to the fourteenth century; a number being in the Spanish, French and Italian languages. There has also been added a large number of state, county and town histories and many biographies.

NEWSPAPERS.

Too much importance cannot be attached to the society's collection of Minnesota newspapers. The collection of newspapers has been an important object of the society since its foundation, and with the exception of a few unimportant ones, it has a complete file of all the papers that have been published, and are being published, in the state. Other than our files, many of the early newspapers of Minnesota have been lost, and much valuable matter, both of a historical and legal character, would be impossible to obtain but for our files. Many of the historical societies and libraries of the country are fast beginning to realize the great importance of collecting newspapers, and but few have as large and complete files as are in our vault. To these files of newspapers the historians of the future will turn for the material that cannot be found elsewhere. Many of these newspapers are of incalculable value, as they cannot be replaced at any price, and no class of our collections is guarded with greater care. Our files embrace 340 daily and weekly papers; of these 14 only are paid for, and these are supplied at nominal prices, showing that publishers generally appreciate the importance of having their papers on file where there is no possibility of loss. During the past two years the society has been able to complete several broken files of early editions, by paying greatly enhanced prices. The thanks of the society and of the public generally are due to the publishers who have so generously supplied their newspapers free.

On Jan. 1, 1893, there were 2,353 bound volumes of newspapers in our vault. During 1893 and 1894 there have been added 571; total, Jan. 1, 1895, 2,924.

Among our files are three Canadian newspapers and one or two from each important city in the United States, which are furnished at a nominal price.

Although an additional vault has been made under the west entrance steps, to accommodate the overflow of the main vault, the society is greatly in need of additional shelf room, several hundred volumes being piled on the floor.

DONATIONS.

By referring to the list of donors, it will be seen that the library has been well remembered, and that the society's good friend, Dr. Samuel A. Green, librarian of the Massachusetts Historical Society, leads in point of number of volumes donated. Another Boston gentleman, Dr. Francis H. Brown, has kindly remembered the society. Other notable donations were from the Woman's Board of Managers of the World's Fair Exposition, consisting of three handsome oak cases, and a quantity of specimens of Indian work; from Mrs. Katharine Stewart, a large quantity of books and a portrait of her husband, Dr. J. H. Stewart; from Mrs. Caroline Drake, a quantity of books; from Mrs. D. C. Coleman, sister of the late Judge Westcott Wilkin, a mass of manuscripts, old maps, books, and an old desk used by the first legislature that sat in the first state house. Mr. J. J. Hill gave a handsomely bound set of Dr. Elliott Coues' edition of the "Lewis and Clark Expedition," and W. Seward Webb of New York presented the correspondence and journals of Samuel Blatchley Webb in two royal octavo volumes, in full morocco. Senator C. K. Davis has contributed many volumes of executive documents. An edition de luxe of the centennial of Washington's inauguration was donated by the committee of publication, Clarence W. Bowen, secretary. From historical, scientific and other societies in the United States, Canada, Europe, Australia and South America we have received many valuable books, proceedings and reports, by gift and exchange, and from the various departments of our government, and the Smithsonian Institution, valuable documents and reports. There has been a large number of maps, atlases and plats donated, many old and rare, a few of them being the original ones. Perhaps the most valuable gift of maps was those of the Mississippi, Missouri and Ohio rivers, from Gen. Thomas L. Casey, chief of engineers, United States Army.

MANUSCRIPTS.

Many manuscripts, written or dictated by old pioneers, have been secured, and it is sincerely hoped that others will write their reminiscences while it is possible for them to do so. A great mass of valuable historic matter is lost to posterity by neglect or indifference on the part of men who took an active part in the early history of the territory and state.

Of the more important incidents in the early history of the state future inquirers and investigators will probably consider the breaking out, the progress and the ultimate suppression of the great uprising and rebellion of the Sioux Indians in 1862 as the most eventful. The only military campaign, properly so called, made, and the only battles and military engagements within the state, in which the whites

were participants, were made and fought during that rebellion. Moreover, that was the largest, the most formidable and the bloodiest Indian rebellion that ever occurred in the nation. Writers have termed the Minnesota valley, the seat of that Indian war, "Minnesota's Wyoming." It would be far more proper to term the Wyoming valley "Pennsylvania's Minnesota," for nearly ten times as many white people were slain and ten times as much property destroyed in the Minnesota Indian massacre as in the Wyoming massacre.

It is due, not only to the present generation, but to posterity, that as many as possible of the interesting details of this eventful and memorable period be gathered and put into form for permanent preservation. This can far better be done now, while there are living witnesses and participants in the war on both sides, Indians and whites, who are easily accessible, and while there are interesting relics to be had for the gathering, than in years hence. Recently the society has published, in part 3 of the sixth volume of its collections, much interesting matter pertaining to the Sioux rebellion, comprising the statements of certain women who were made prisoners by the Indians and detailing their recollections of the circumstances attending their captivity. There will also be found in that volume an Indian side of the story of the war, as given by Big Eagle, one of the chiefs and military leaders of the Indians. His version is interesting and of real value.

A most valuable addition to the collections of the society the past year consists of the more important letters and papers of the late Gen. H. H. Sibley. The idea of their acquisition originated with J. Fletcher Williams, for many years secretary of this society, during his incumbency, in July, 1893, although the greater part of the work in connection therewith was done during the past year. Mr. Williams obtained the permission of the children of General Sibley to examine their father's correspondence and to separate it, agreeing to return to the family all matter not of historic value and of a personal and private nature, and retaining the remainder for the use of the society.

General Sibley, throughout his busy and eventful life, was very careful and methodical in the preservation of his papers. Their appearance and other circumstances indicate that the mass which came into the hands of the society included nearly every letter of any importance that he ever received, and copies of very many of the most important that he ever wrote, even portions of his juvenile correspondence when he was a schoolboy in Detroit. He came to Fort Snelling in 1834, and it is a matter of the greatest historic value and interest that his letters from his subordinates in the fur trade, from the early missionaries, from travelers and others, received for ten

years thereafter, constitute practically the only record in existence of what may be termed the domestic affairs of Minnesota during that period. They disclose very many historic incidents never before made known, and give a clear understanding to many subjects hitherto imperfectly understood.

In later life, as is well known, he occupied many conspicuous and influential positions in the civic and military affairs of the territory and state,—as delegate in congress, president of the constitutional convention, governor of the state, colonel of the state militia in command of the forces sent against the Indians, brigadier general of United States volunteers, member of different Indian commissions, regent of the university, etc.,—and we doubtless have in the original text all the letters of consequence—many of them from historic personages—that he received while in these stations. We have his field or order book pertaining to his campaign against the Indians in 1862, and copies in his own handwriting of the letters written during that campaign, and while on his expedition against the Indians in Dakota the following year. Other items are letters, papers and other documents valuable only as relics and curiosities, but, from their character and connection with Minnesota history, well worthy of preservation and examination. Valuable as is the entire collection to the present generation, they will be of inestimable service to future historians and students of our early history.

The Sibley papers filled several large boxes, and their aggregate weight was some hundreds of pounds. More than 3,000 of the letters were arranged and filed and are in our vaults. Many of the letters were written in French, and these were translated and copied into English.

OUR CABINET.

The accumulation of curios has been wholly by donation, as the Society has no special fund for that purpose. During the past two years there has been added a large number of interesting articles. To our collection of relics of the Sioux massacre of 1862-64 there have been added two gun barrels, and a broken sword, found on the battlefield of Wood Lake, where was fought the engagement most decisive of the Indian war, and of the interests of the state which were involved in that conflict. At the same time we received other relics picked up at the Redwood Agency ferry, Birch Coulee and Yellow Medicine, which articles were identified with the outbreak.

An immense moose head, carrying a fine pair of antlers, mounted in an artistic manner, was presented by Gov. Knute Nelson.

NECROLOGY.

The following deaths of life members have occurred since our last report:

1893.

Rev. J. G. Riheldaffer.....	January 17th.
Harwood Iglehart.....	February 26th.
Capt. Henry L. Carver.....	August 9th.
Rev. Edward D. Neill.....	September 26th.
Hon. W. L. Banning.....	November 26th.

1894.

Hon. Henry M. Rice.....	January 15th.
Hon. Morton S. Wilkinson.....	February 4th.
Judge Westcott Wilkin.....	May 12th.
Lyman C. Dayton.....	September 15th.
Charles M. McCluer.....	October 24th.
Amherst H. Wilder.....	November 11th.

It is a noticeable fact that all of the above were connected with the early history of the state.

OUR LIMITED QUARTERS.

Although the fact of the crowded condition of our quarters has been incidentally mentioned, it is a matter of serious importance to determine what is to be done until such time as the society shall be in new quarters in the new capitol building, as now contemplated. It certainly will not be less than five years, more likely eight or ten, before the capitol will be completed, and no more room can be allowed us in the present building. The last addition to our quarters was a small room, shut off entirely from light and ventilation, partitioned off from the unfinished basement; this room, and two others of similar character, constructed out of old light shafts, are packed with duplicates and many valuable books, that would, in the event of a fire, be a total loss. And this would be quite true of nearly all the books and other articles outside of the vaults, if fire should originate in the basement. Let us hope, however, that our experience at the burning of the old capitol will not be repeated. The loss would be incalculable, greater now than at that time, as the number of books has increased many fold, and there are many sets and volumes which have cost large sums, which it would be difficult or impossible to replace. A visit to our rooms will convince anyone of the necessity of larger and more secure quarters. The efficiency of the library would be increased immensely by larger, better arranged and better ventilated rooms, enabling the work of the library to be conducted in a more systematic manner. The room for visitors has been encroached upon from time to time, and it will be necessary to do this still further by placing new cases, and this is not at all desirable, as this space has always been limited.

FINANCES AND RESOURCES.

The expenditures of the society out of its annual appropriation from the state funds are as follows :

	1893.	1894.
Purchase of books.....	\$646.70	\$1,223.34
Binding books.....	503.95	611.35
Express and freight.....	70.95	59.04
Postage.....	86.00	35.00
Insurance.....	361.45	14.15
Furniture (cases and shelving).....	302.63	174.70
Miscellaneous.....	116.46	128.13
Service	3,277.00	3,724.15
Totals.....	\$5,361.14	\$5,969.86

The annual appropriation from the state is \$6,000, out of which all expenses of the society are met.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding this report, the society desires to express its gratitude to its patrons for their kindly interest in its welfare, and to those who have added to its collections by generous donations, the society is especially indebted. The officers of the society feel highly encouraged, and shall endeavor to make the Minnesota Historical Society an institution that the people of the state shall be proud of, and worthy of their generous support.

CHARTER.

"AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA."

APPROVED OCT. 20, 1849.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota :

That C. K. Smith, David Olmsted, H. H. Sibley, Aaron Goodrich, David Cooper, B. B. Meeker, A. M. Mitchell, T. R. Potts, J. C. Ramsey, H. M. Rice, F. Steele, Charles W. Borup, D. B. Loomis, M. S. Wilkinson, L. A. Babcock, Henry Jackson, W. D. Phillips, Wm. H. Forbes, Martin McLeod and their associates be, and they are hereby, constituted a body corporate and politic, by the name and style of the "Minnesota Historical Society," and by that name they and their successors shall be, and they are hereby, made capable in law to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend, answer and be answered in any court of record or elsewhere, and to hold any estate, real, personal or mixed, and the same to grant, sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise dispose of for the benefit of said society, and to receive donations to be applied as the donor may direct, and to devise and keep a common seal; and to make and enforce any by-laws not contrary to the constitution and laws of the United States or this territory, and to enjoy all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation, and that the property which the society may be allowed to hold shall not exceed \$5,000.

Sec. 2. Be It Further Enacted, That any five members may, at any meeting of said society, constitute a quorum to do business, and shall, within one year from and after the passage of this act, organize, and, under such regulations as they may adopt, elect a president, two vice presidents, a treasurer, and a secretary, who shall record the proceedings, do the correspondence and file all communications he may receive touching the object of the society, which said officers shall hold their offices respectively until their successors are elected, which may take place every three years. The regular meetings of said society shall take place on the second Monday succeeding the annual meeting of the legislative assembly of said territory, at the seat of government, and the object of said society shall be the collection and preservation of a library, mineralogical and geological specimens, Indian curiosities, and other matters and things connected with and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate the history and settlement of said territory.

"AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA.'" APPROVED MARCH 1, 1856.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

Section 1. That in addition to the privileges and immunities granted and duties assigned to the Minnesota Historical Society by the act approved Oct. 20, 1849, the said society shall be allowed to receive by bequest, donation or purchase, any amount of property, real or personal, and shall hold the same in perpetuity, as a sacred trust for the uses and purposes of said society, without in any manner mortgaging, or by debts incumbering such property now in possession, or thereafter to be acquired; nor shall any such property be liable, in any manner or form whatever, for any debt contracted by said society, and the real property now vested in the society, in the city of St. Paul, and the building hereafter to be located thereon as a hall for the same, and the personal property of the society, shall be exempt from taxation.

Sec. 2. As soon as convenient after the passage of this act, the society shall elect an executive council, consisting of not more than twenty-five members of the society, who shall hold their office for the term of three years, and until their successors are elected, which election shall thereafter take place triennially. The executive council shall elect and appoint all officers, and such agents and collaborators of the society, resident and non-resident, as they may deem necessary or useful, and the executive council shall have the custody of all property, real and personal, of the society, and shall frame such by-laws and constitution for their government as they may deem expedient, and do all other things, not inconsistent with this act, essential to the prosperity of the society.

Sec. 3. The objects of said society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science and literature.

Sec. 4. That all acts and parts of acts, so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 15, SESSION LAWS OF 1856, IN RELATION TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. APPROVED FEB. 19, 1875.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Minnesota:

Section 1. That chapter 15 of the Session Laws of 1856, entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Historical Society of Minnesota,'" be, and is hereby, amended so as to increase the number of members composing the executive council to thirty.

Sec. 2. The governor, lieutenant governor, secretary, auditor and treasurer of the state and the attorney general shall be ex-officio members of the executive council.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

EXTRACT FROM THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE, ARTICLE XVI., SECTION 1.

In the event of the seat of government being removed from the city of St. Paul to any other place in the state, the capitol building and grounds shall be dedicated to an institution for the promotion of science, literature and the arts, to be organized by the legislature of the state, and of which institution the Minnesota Historical Society shall always be a department.

ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE ESTABLISHING THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AS A FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. That for the better support and more enlarged usefulness of the Minnesota Historical Society, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two thousand dollars, which shall be paid to, and expended by, the executive council of said society, in such manner as they may deem will best promote its objects and aid its purposes; and said executive council shall, at the close of the year, report to the governor the manner in which such money has been expended, and the vouchers therefor.

Sec. 2. And in consideration of such sum, the society shall cause their library to be kept open for the free use of the public, during the usual business hours about the capitol, under such restrictions relative to the consultation of books, and the taking of extracts therefrom, as the executive council may direct.

Approved March 5, 1869.

LIST OF DONORS.

INSTITUTIONS.

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Academy of Natural Science, Davenport, Iowa.....	1	
Adjutant General's Office, Columbus, Ohio.....	2	
American Association for Advancement of Science, Salem, Mass.....		1
American Bar Association, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	
American Museum Natural History, New York.....		1
American Bankers Association, New York.....		1
American Historical Association, Washington, D. C.....	5	2
American Unitarian Association, Boston, Mass.....		22
Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.....		3
Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, Mass.....		2
Arizona University, Tucson, Ariz.....		3
Archæological Institute of America, Boston, Mass.....		6
Associated Charities, Minneapolis, Minn.....		1
Agustana College, Rock Island, Ill.....		1
Baltimore Corn and Flour Exchange, Baltimore, Md.....		1
Bankers Association, New York.....		1
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass.....		5
Boston City Hospital, Boston, Mass.....		1
Boston Benevolent Fraternity of Churches, Boston, Mass.....		1
Bostonian Society, Boston, Mass.....		1
Board of Overseers of the Poor, Boston, Mass.....		1
Board of Trade, La Crosse, Wis.....		1
Board of Fire Commissioners, St. Paul.....		1
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine.....		1
Brooklyn Library, Brooklyn, N. Y.....		2
Bryn Mawr College, Philadelphia, Pa.....	8	
Buffalo Historical Society, Buffalo, N. Y.....	11	2
Bureau of Ethnology, Washington, D. C.....	3	3
Bureau of American Republics, Washington, D. C.....	1	33
Bureau of Statistics of Labor, Boston, Mass.....		2
Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C.....		6
Bureau of Statistics, Washington, D. C.....		1
Cobden Club, London, England.....		1
California State Mining Bureau, San Francisco, Cal.....		4
Cayuga County Historical Society, Auburn, N. Y.....		5
Carleton College, Northfield, Minn.....		1
Chicago Board of Public Works, Chicago, Ill.....	2	
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill.....		2
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company, Milwaukee, Wis...		1
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio.....		1
City of La Crosse, La Crosse, Wis.....		1
City of Boston, Boston, Mass.....	3	
City of St. Paul, St. Paul, Minn.....		1
Colby University, Waterville, Maine.....		1
Columbia College, New York City, N. Y.....	1	5
Commandery of the State of Minnesota, Military Order, Loyal Legion, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	
College of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago, Ill.....		1
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Conn.....		2
Congregational Association, St. Paul, Minn.....		1
Commissioner of Public Records, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Commissioner of Labor, Washington, D. C.....	1	5
Commissioner of Education, Washington, D. C.....	5	2
Commissioner of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.....		1
Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C.....		1
Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D. C.....	1	
Commissioner of Jamaica, World's Fair, Chicago, Ill.....	1	

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Delaware Experiment Station, Newark, Del.....		1
Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.....	3	24
Department of War, Washington, D. C.....	7	6
Department of Interior, Washington, D. C.....	166	105
Department of Treasury, Washington, D. C.....	1	3
Department of State, Washington, D. C.....	8	14
Department of State of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa.....	2	
Department of State of New Hampshire, Concord, N. H.....	1	12
Department of Dakota, St. Paul.....		1
English Evangelical Synod of the Northwest, Red Wing, Minn.....		1
Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.....		9
Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass.....		3
Great Northern Railway Company, St. Paul.....		87
Great Britain Patent Office, London, England.....		49
Harvard Medical Alumni, Cambridge, Mass.....		1
Hamline University, Class of '94.....		1
Hamline University, Class of '95.....		1
Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y.....		1
Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, Hampton, Va.....		1
Hartford Theological Seminary, Hartford, Conn.....		1
Hartford Seminary, Hartford, Conn.....		1
Harvard University Library, Cambridge, Mass.....		3
Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass.....	1	1
Helena Public Library, Helena, Mont.....		9
Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Man.....		8
Holland Society of New York, New York City, N. Y.....		2
Howard Memorial Library, New Orleans, La.....		18
Indiana Society of Sons of the American Revolution, Indianapolis, Ind.....		1
Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa.....		1
Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis, Ind.....		4
Iowa State University, Iowa City, Iowa.....		2
Iowa Geological Survey, Des Moines, Iowa.....		2
Iowa Weather and Crop Service, Des Moines, Iowa.....		1
Kansas Historical Society, Topeka, Kan.....		1
Kansas State Board of Agriculture, Topeka, Kan.....		4
Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.....		1
Laval University, Quebec, Can.....		1
Leland Stanford Junior University, Palo Alto, Cal.....		3
Lenox Library, New York, City, N. Y.....		1
Library Association, Portland, Ore.....		3
Library Company, Philadelphia, Pa.....		2
Long Island Historical Society Directors, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	1	
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal.....		2
Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore, Md.....		42
Massachusetts Secretary of Commonwealth, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, Mass.....	3	7
Massachusetts State Board of Health, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass.....		4
Massachusetts Horticultural Society, Boston, Mass.....		1
Massachusetts Medical Society, Boston, Mass.....	1	3
Manitoba College, Winnipeg, Man.....		1
McGill College, Montreal, Canada.....	2	15
Mercantile Library, New York City, N. Y.....		2
Mercantile Library, San Francisco, Cal.....		2
Meriden Scientific Association, Meriden, Conn.....		1
Michigan Pioneer and Historical Society, Lansing, Mich.....	2	
Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio.....		1
Minneapolis Academy, Minneapolis, Minn.....		1
Michigan State Library, Lansing Mich.....	15	1
Michigan State University, Ann Arbor, Mich.....	3	23
Michigan Mining School, Houghton, Mich.....		3
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn.....	2	6

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Missouri Geological Survey, Jefferson City, Mo.....	2	
Minnesota State Forestry Association, St. Paul.....		12
Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association, St. Paul.....		1
Minnesota Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.....	1	
Minnesota State University, Minneapolis, Minn.....		1
Minnesota State Reformatory, St. Cloud, Minn.....		12
Minnesota Exhibit, World's Fair.....	14	1
Montana Historical Society, Helena, Mont.....	1	
National Divorce Reform League, Boston, Mass.....		2
National Association of Builders, United States of America.....	1	
National Prison Association, Allegheny, Pa.....	1	
National Conference Charities and Corrections.....		1
Nebraska State Historical Society.....		1
Nelson Daughters, Mayville, N. D.....		1
New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord, N. H.....		1
New York Service Commission, Albany, N. Y.....	1	
New York State Library, Albany, N. Y.....		4
New York Life Insurance Company, St. Paul.....	1	
New England Historical and Genealogical Society, Boston, Mass.....		2
New South Wales Government, Sydney, N. S. W.....	1	
New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, N. J.....	1	
Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill.....		2
Northwestern Christian College, Excelsior, Minn.....		2
Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.....		4
Ohio Archæological and Historical Society, Columbus, Ohio.....		1
Ohio University, Athens, Ohio.....		3
Old Colony Club, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Oneida Historical Society, Utica, N. Y.....		1
Patent Office, Washington, D. C.....	2	
Parker College, Winnebago City, Minn.....		1
Peabody Institute, Baltimore, Md.....		2
Pennsylvania Historical Society, Philadelphia, Pa.....		1
State Library, Harrisburg, Pa.....	29	5
Pinkerton and National Detective Agency, New York City, N. Y.....		1
Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, Deerfield, Mass.....	1	
Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia, Pa.....		3
Public Library, Providence, R. I.....		1
Public Library, Boston, Mass.....		3
Quartermaster General's Office, Washington, D. C.....	1	
Railroad Commissioners of Minnesota, St. Paul.....	1	
Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, R. I.....		1
Royal Geographical Society of Australia, Queensland.....		1
Royal Commissioners World's Fair, British Section, Chicago, Ill.....		1
Royal Historical Society, London, Eng.....	1	
Royal Academy of Sciences and Letters, Copenhagen, Denmark.....		2
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa.....	1	
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass.....		1
Secretary of the Commonwealth, Boston, Mass.....	3	
Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn.....		2
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.....	6	16
Society of Colonial Wars, New York City, N. Y.....	1	
Society of Colonial Wars, Boston, Mass.....		1
Society of Army of the Cumberland, Cincinnati, Ohio.....	1	
Southern California Bureau of Information, Los Angeles, Cal.....		1
South Dakota Agricultural College, Brookings, S. D.....		6
Stetson University, De Land, Fla.....		1
State Board of Health, Red Wing, Minn.....		1
State Board of Corrections and Charities, St. Paul.....	1	
State of Arkansas, Little Rock, Ark.....	6	
St. Olaf's College, Northfield, Minn.....		7
St. Paul Public Library.....		2
Stanley Hall School, Minneapolis, Minn.....		1
St. Johns University, Collegeville, Minn.....		2

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
State of Minnesota, St. Paul.....	50	
Surrey Archaeological Society, London, Eng.....	1	
Tacoma Academy of Science, Tacoma, Wash.....		1
Tennessee State Board of Health, Nashville, Tenn.....		2
Tennessee Historical Society, Nashville, Tenn.....		1
Tompkins Family, Oakland, Cal.....	1	
Travelers Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn.....	5	
Trustees of the Boston City Hospital, Boston, Mass.....		1
United States Military Academy, West Point.....		1
United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.....	1	
United States Department of Agriculture, Des Moines, Iowa.....		1
United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, Washington, D. C.....	1	
United States Geological and Geographical Survey, Washington, D. C.....	21	7
United States Senate Committee on Finance, Washington, D. C.....		51
University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Ind.....		1
University of Rochester, Rochester, N. Y.....		1
University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt.....	1	2
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.....		1
University of Laval, Quebec.....		1
University of State of New York, Albany, N. Y.....		5
University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N. D.....		1
University of South Dakota, Vermillion, S. D.....		2
University of Virginia, Richmond, Va.....		2
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.....		2
University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.....		1
Universal Publishing Co., New York City, N. Y.....	1	
Water Commissioners, St. Paul, Minn.....		1
Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.....		1
Wesley College, Winnipeg, Man.....		2
Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.....		1
Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, Wis.....		6
Worcester Historical Society, Worcester, Mass.....		1
Worcester Society of Antiquities, Worcester, Mass.....	1	
Woodland Park Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minn.....		1
Wyoming Historical Society, Wilkesbarre, Pa.....		3
Yale University, New Haven, Conn.....	1	4
Yonkers Historical and Library Association, Yonkers, N. Y.....		1
Total	424	869

INDIVIDUALS.

Adams, Mrs. Augusta J., Minneapolis.....		1
Adams, Mrs. J. Q., St. Paul.....		1
Aldrich, Mr., Benson, Minn.....		7
Ames, John G., Washington, D. C.....		2
Andrews, Gen., St. Paul.....		1
Arnold, George B., Kasson, Minn.....		1
Armstrong, Hon. M. K., St. James, Minn.....	1	
Armstrong, J. H., St. Paul.....		1
Assistant Adjutant General, G. A. R.....		1
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REPORT.

The Minnesota Historical Society, in presenting to the legislature its ninth biennial report, may be pardoned for a reasonable pride in its present prosperous condition, conscious that it has fulfilled the trust imposed upon it by the people of the state. The growth of the society is very gratifying, and, when compared with similar institutions in the older states, the people of Minnesota have reason to be proud of what has been accomplished in comparatively few years, from a very small beginning. When the society shall have more commodious quarters and a larger income, then can it more fully carry out the purposes for which it was organized. It has nearly reached the limits of its present quarters, so that it is difficult to provide space for cases to hold the books that are rapidly coming to its library by purchase and donations. The patronage and membership of the society have much increased during the last two years. The additions to the library will be shown by the detailed statement.

Since the date of the last biennial report, the former secretary of the society, Mr. J. Fletcher Williams, and the secretary who was then in service, Gen. William R. Marshall, have died. The present secretary, Mr. Warren Upham, was elected September 9, 1895, and entered on his duties here November 1, 1895.

OBJECTS.

As this report may fall into the hands of some who are not familiar with the objects of the society, it may be well here to explain them.

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the territory, and was incorporated by an act of the First Territorial legislature, approved October 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the territory, and its library, con-

sisting then of only a few volumes, was the first established in Minnesota. The original charter of the society stated its objects to be: "The collection and preservation of a library, mineralogical and geological specimens, Indian curiosities and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate, the history and settlement of said territory." The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and all other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science and literature."

The work of this society may therefore be formulated thus:

(1) The collection, preservation, and publication, of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

(2) The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the local and general history of Minnesota, of the United States and the world, and on all other valuable departments of knowledge.

(3) The diffusion, among the citizens of the state, of useful knowledge.

INCREASE AND PRESENT CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

On the date of our last biennial report, January 1, 1895, there were on our shelves, 24,058 bound and 31,207 unbound volumes; total, 55,265 volumes. During the year 1895 there were added 1,272 bound volumes, making the total number of volumes on our shelves on January 1, 1896, 56,537. During the year 1896 there were added 2,374 bound and 300 unbound volumes, making on January 1, 1897, 27,704 bound and 31,507 unbound volumes; total, 59,211 volumes.

The bound volumes acquired during the years 1895 and 1896 were from the following sources: By gift, 1,325, of which 335 were newspapers; by purchase, 2,321, of which 79 were newspapers.

All these accessions were catalogued, requiring the writing of 1,585 cards during 1895, and 3,856 during 1896; total number of cards on January 1, 1897, 60,288. The cataloguing has been done in a very careful manner by Mr. Kingsbury, besides his general attention to supply the books inquired for by users of the library.

The newspaper volumes were all bound by the society; and 79 of the books acquired by gift during 1895 and 1896 were bound by the society, with 171 others that were acquired by purchase.

The preceding figures show a steady increase in the growth of the library. That the people of the state are awakening to the magni-

tude and importance of our collection, is shown by the large increase in donations of books, manuscripts, pictures, and articles for the museum, from the people of the state at large; and the society trusts that those who have anything of an interesting or historical character, bearing on the history of Minnesota particularly, or of the Northwest, which ought to be placed where it cannot be lost, and where it will be accessible to those looking after information, will donate it to the society.

Many who frequent our rooms seeking information are authors, teachers, and scholars, who find on our shelves books which cannot be found elsewhere in the state, and which indeed are in only few of the older libraries of the East.

Owing to the interest now being taken in colonial, revolutionary and subsequent history, and in genealogies, our very large collection of these works, ranking third or fourth in the United States in size, attracts a large number of people who are tracing their ancestral history. In this search many important historical facts are brought to light that might otherwise be overlooked or lost entirely. To these classes of books there have been a large number added by donations, many of which could not have been obtained otherwise, being printed only for private distribution.

By count January 1, 1897, it is found that our collection of American genealogies contains 862 books and 303 pamphlets; total, 1,165. In the genealogical division of the card catalogue these works are referred to by about 1,850 titles.

In the department of biography, the card catalogue contains about 1,150 titles; but many additional biographies will be found under authors' and personal names.

Of township and strictly local histories (but not including county and state histories, biographies, and publications of societies), the number of bound volumes counted in the library October 1, 1896, for Maine was 72; New Hampshire, 90; Vermont, 32; Massachusetts, 370; Rhode Island, 32; and Connecticut, 71; with considerable numbers for New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and all the states, so far as these special histories have been published.

It is the aim of our Library Committee to make these departments as complete as possible, by securing, through purchase or donation, all books and pamphlets published in the United States and Canada on American genealogy and strictly local history.

Among the important works added to our shelves during the past two years have been a great many on early American history, some of them being very old, rare and quaint. There have also been added many township, county, and state histories, and many biographies.

NEWSPAPERS.

Too much importance cannot be attached to the society's collection of Minnesota newspapers. The collection of newspapers has been an important object of the society ever since its foundation; and with the exception of a few unimportant ones, it has a complete file of all the papers that have been published, and are being published, in the state. This department is under the efficient care of Mr. Chaney, who receives an average of about sixty newspapers daily for the society. Other than our files, many of the early newspapers of Minnesota have been lost, and much valuable matter, both of a historical and legal character, would be impossible to obtain without these files. Many of the historical societies and libraries of the country are fast beginning to appreciate the great importance of collecting newspapers; but very few have as large and complete files as are in our fireproof vault. To these files of newspapers the historians of the future will turn for information that cannot be found elsewhere. Many of these newspapers are of incalculable value, as they cannot be replaced at any price, and no class of our collections is guarded with greater care. Our current files embrace 341 daily and weekly papers; of which only twenty are paid for, and these are supplied at nominal prices, showing that publishers generally desire to have their papers on file where there is no possibility of loss. The thanks of the society and of the public are due to the many publishers who have generously supplied their newspapers free.

An interesting paper, entitled "The Historical Value of Newspapers," by Mr. Chaney, is published in the recently issued second part of our eighth volume of Historical Collections, in which a considerable description of this newspaper department of the library is given.

On January 1, 1895, there were 2,924 bound volumes of newspapers in our vault. During 1895 and 1896 there have been added 414; total, January 1, 1897, 3,338.

Among our files are three Canadian newspapers, and several from large cities in the United States outside of Minnesota, which are furnished at a nominal price.

The society is greatly in need of additional fireproof vault space, with convenient shelves, for this newspaper collection.

SCRAP-BOOKS.

It has been found desirable, for quick and convenient consultation of newspaper articles on Minnesota and Northwestern history and biography, to clip out these pieces and paste them in scrap-

books, with notes of their source and date. This work was begun by Mr. Williams about twenty years ago, but has been done more systematically and fully within the last few years. It is now a part of the duties of the secretary and librarians to look through the daily papers attentively for this purpose. Four quarto scrap-books, of 160 pages each, have been completed and thoroughly indexed; and four other such books are now being filled with current newspaper clippings.

Several series of clippings which had been saved in former years by the secretaries, Mr. Williams and Gov. Marshall, have been classified and pasted in these books. They include an interesting series of papers written by Gen. James H. Baker in 1877 to 1879, chiefly relating to the resources and history of northern Minnesota; "Historical Notes and Reminiscences" of Farmington, Minn., written in 1878 and 1879, by J. H. Thurston; "Sketches and Incidents" of Stillwater, Taylor's Falls, etc., written in 1871, by L. W. Stratton; "Leaves from the Notes of an Old Settler," written in 1852 to 1854, by Elder Edward Ely, of Winona, Minn., and published in 1867 in the Winona Republican; a history of the First Minnesota Regiment in the Civil War, by H. D. O'Brien, published in the East St. Louis Times, 1875; a history of the Inkpaduta massacre, at the Okoboji lakes and Spirit Lake, Iowa, in 1857, by J. F. Glover, published in the Sibley (Iowa) Gazette during 1886; and many narratives and sketches of events in the Sioux Indian War of 1862 to 1864.

During about a year, ending in September, 1895, Mrs. Marie H. Huehner (now of Los Angeles, Cal.) was an assistant in the work of the library, as stenographer, copyist, etc., including work on the scrap-books; and subsequently the Misses Annie E. and Emma E. Vose have been employed usually several days of each month in continuing the scrap-book collection, copying, etc.

An especially valuable addition to the library was received last year as a gift from Capt. Philip Reade, of Ft. Snelling, consisting of a great number of magazine and newspaper articles written by him during the past five years, on the military history of the United States, progress of inventions and improvement of firearms and cannon, the history of the United States flag, etc. These have been pasted on 380 pages of octavo size, bound, and indexed.

THE PORTRAIT COLLECTION.

The number of individual portraits displayed in the rooms of the society is 213; besides fifteen group pictures, which comprise 486 portraits. Nearly all are of pioneers and founders of Minnesota,

or of citizens who in more recent years have had a prominent part in the history and development of the state. There are also 76 other pictures, as of ancient buildings, monuments, paintings of historic scenes, etc., and 20 framed documents, including a letter of George Washington, written in 1754, which is in the case holding the Washington chair. This collection is the most interesting part of the society's possessions for visitors who have only a short time to spend in our rooms.

THE CABINET OR MUSEUM.

Five large cases are filled with historical relics, illustrative of the conditions of the pioneer settlement of Minnesota, of the Sioux War and the Civil War, of the aboriginal people who built the thousands of prehistoric mounds in this state, and of the Sioux and Ojibways who were living here when the first white men reached this region. It is hoped that, when more space shall be provided for our library and museum, and for the display of portraits, in the new capitol building, all these collections shall be greatly increased, especially the departments of archæology, with the stone implements and other handiwork of the Northwestern Indian tribes, and of paleontology and mineralogy, displaying the life history of the rocks of the state and their mineral wealth, which recently, in iron mining, has been so vastly developed.

DONATIONS.

During the years 1895 and 1896, this society has received donations of books and pamphlets for its library from 216 societies and institutions. Among these are the historical societies of other states, of Canada, England, and other countries; other societies devoted to sciences and the arts; schools, colleges, and universities; public libraries and museums; the geological surveys of several states, of the United States, and of Canada; and more than twenty departments of the United States government. (It may be remarked, in passing, that an excellent paper, directing the attention of readers and students to the wide range and great value of the government publications, is contributed by Mr. Kingsbury to the second part of our Volume VIII.) From these donors, as enumerated in the list on later pages of this report, we have received, in the aggregate, 673 books and 916 pamphlets.

Thirty-six members of the society have made donations to its library, giving 271 books and 734 pamphlets. Especially notable are the gifts of Dr. Samuel A. Green, of Boston, Mass.; and of Hon. J. V. Brower, Mr. James J. Hill, and Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, of St. Paul.

The number of persons not members of the society, from whom gifts have been received for the library is 187, the aggregate of their donations being 889 books and about 2,200 pamphlets. Especially large donations in this series were from Henry G. Allanson, of Henderson, Minn.; Rev. H. H. Hart, and Prof. T. H. Lewis, both of St. Paul; the widows of three former citizens of St. Paul, namely, Hon. Edmund Rice, Col. D. A. Robertson (who was a life member of this society), and Dr. J. H. Stewart, these being chiefly United States public reports; and the widow of Mr. J. Fletcher Williams, who so long served this society as its secretary and librarian. Many of the books and pamphlets received in these last noted large gifts from private libraries are duplicates of what were already in this library; but such are valuable for exchange, whereby others new to our collection are obtained.

Manuscripts have been presented by twenty persons, the total number of these gifts being thirty-three, including genealogical notes, old letters of rare historical value, papers on the history of Minnesota, and biographical sketches. It is earnestly hoped that many others of the early pioneers of this state will write their reminiscences while it is yet possible for them to do so. Otherwise a great mass of important historical matter will be lost to posterity with the passing away of those who took an active part in the early history of the territory and state.

Ten donors have added fifty-two atlases and maps to this department of the library. Among these we may particularly note the United States Geological Survey, which has sent the early folios of the Geologic Atlas of the United States. This vast work is to cover the whole national domain, to comprise about three thousand folios (atlas sheets with their descriptions), and to require doubtless more than fifty years for its completion. The library of our society, being a designated depository library, will receive these and all other United States government publications.

Twenty-nine portraits, nearly all being of prominent citizens of Minnesota, besides three groups which together comprise 120 portraits, and 28 other pictures, have been added to the valuable collection in the society's rooms. Lastly, the museum has received about 140 articles, among which we may especially mention numerous very interesting and ingenious articles of Ojibway workmanship, presented by Rev. J. A. Gilfillan, of White Earth, Minn. The list of donors in these departments numbers fifty-one.

To all these friends, societies, and other institutions, through whose donations our library and museum have been increased, we tender hearty thanks.

PUBLICATIONS.

The three addresses given at the Annual Meeting of the society January 21, 1895, were published in the following April as Part 1 of Volume VIII. of the society's Historical Collections, containing 40 pages, with a map. These addresses, by Prof. N. H. Winchell, the state geologist, and his assistants U. S. Grant and Warren Upham, relate to the geography, geological history, and mineral resources of northern Minnesota.

Part 2 of this volume, containing pages 41 to 270, with plates II to IX, was published in December, 1896. It includes the papers presented by Gov. Alex. Ramsey, the president of the society, Capt. Russell Blakeley, the first vice president, Hon. Henry L. Moss, and Judge Charles E. Flandrau, at the Annual Meeting held January 13, 1896; and papers read at meetings of the Executive Council from February to May, 1896, with others accepted by the Publication Committee.

It is planned that this volume will be completed by the publication of a third part in 1897, containing papers and addresses presented at the Council meetings and Annual Meeting during the time from September, 1896, to May, 1897, with an index of the whole volume.

Only small editions of the Historical Collections have been issued, and therefore they are distributed only to members of the society and to other societies and institutions exchanging their publications for ours. The remaining copies are held for sale at the cost of publication. For the purpose of answering inquiries concerning these eight volumes, the final part of this report states their titles and prices, and the titles of the many special papers which they contain.

MEMBERSHIP.

The by-laws of the society and of the Executive Council, given on later pages of this report, define the conditions and privileges of membership. Besides the annual and life members, who, when residing within this state, constitute the active membership, the society includes two other classes, namely, corresponding members and honorary members. A list of the present members of the society, with their addresses, is also given on later pages.

The total membership numbers 245. The annual and life members, together comprising 159, are nearly all residents of Minnesota, or were so at the time of their election; but the 86 corresponding and honorary members represent nearly all the states of the Union, Alaska, the provinces of Manitoba and Ontario, and England.

NECROLOGY.

The following deaths of life members have occurred since our last report:

1895.

Hon. John L. Merriam.....	January 12th.
Col. Daniel A. Robertson.....	March 16th.
John Fletcher Williams.....	April 28th.
Hon. Robert B. Langdon.....	July 24th.
Hon. John S. Prince.....	September 4th.

1896.

Gen. William R. Marshall.....	January 8th.
Daniel D. Merrill.....	May 21st.
Hon. John Esaias Warren.....	July 6th.

The closing part of Volume VIII. of the Historical Collections, now in preparation, will contain biographic sketches of these members, and of others who have died within several years past, with lists of deceased corresponding and honorary members.

OUR LIMITED QUARTERS.

Although the fact of the crowded condition of the society's rooms has been incidentally mentioned, it is a matter of serious importance to determine what is to be done until the society shall be in new quarters in the new capitol building, as now contemplated. It probably will not be less than five years before the capitol will be completed, and therefore it is hoped that more room can be allowed us in the present building, especially for another fireproof vault, to hold the increase of the newspaper collection. The last addition to our quarters was a small room, shut off entirely from light and ventilation, partitioned off from the unfinished basement; this room, and two others of similar character, constructed out of old light shafts, are packed with duplicates and many valuable books, that would, in the event of a fire, be a total loss. And this would be quite true of nearly all the books and other articles outside of the vaults, if fire should originate in the basement. Let us trust, however, that our experience at the burning of the old capitol (in 1881) will not be repeated. The loss would be incalculable, greater now than at that time, as the number of books has increased many fold. We have many sets and volumes that have cost large sums, which it would be difficult or impossible to replace. A visit to our rooms will convince anyone of the necessity of larger and more secure

quarters. The efficiency of the library would be increased immensely by larger, better arranged, and better ventilated rooms, enabling the work of the library to be conducted in a more systematic manner. We look forward, therefore, to great extension of our usefulness when the society, with its library, collection of portraits, and museum, shall remove to the new capitol.

RESOURCES AND EXPENDITURES.

The annual appropriation from the state is \$6,000; and, by a special appropriation, \$1,000 was added for the years 1895 and 1896. The expenditures of the society out of its appropriations from the state funds are as follows:

	1895.	1896.
Purchase of books.....	\$1,012.92	\$3,990.45
Binding of books.....	588.92	275.25
Express and freight.....	63.01	157.97
Postage	88.75	50.74
Insurance	385.80	375.05
Furniture (cases, shelving, and desk).....	366.83	194.00
Miscellaneous	107.86	121.07
Service	3,112.72	3,653.42
Totals	\$5,726.81	\$8,817.95

CONCLUSION.

In concluding this report, the society desires to express its gratitude to its patrons for their kindly interest in its welfare, and to repeat its thanks to those who have added to its collections by their donations. The officers feel highly encouraged, and will endeavor to make the Minnesota Historical Society in the future, as it has been in the past, an institution of which the people of the state may well be proud, and which shall be worthy of their generous support.

DONORS.

LIST OF DONORS TO THE LIBRARY DURING 1895 AND 1896.

SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTIONS.

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Alabama Geological Survey, University, Ala.....	1	10
American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.....		2
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Salem, Mass.	4	
American Bar Association, Philadelphia, Pa., and Baltimore, Md..	2	
American Geographical Society, New York City.....		1
American Historical Association, Washington, D. C.....	1	
American Humane Society, Providence, R. I.....		1
American Institute of Mining Engineers, New York City.....		1
American Museum of Natural History, New York City.....	1	2
Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.....		1
Amherst College Library, Amherst, Mass.....	1	39
Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co., Boston, Mass.....	1	
Argentina Postal and Telegraph Department, Buenos Ayres.....	3	
Baltimore Cereal and Flour Exchange, Baltimore, Md.....		1
Boston City Hospital, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Boston City Registry Department, Boston, Mass.....	2	
Boston Department of Parks, Boston, Mass.....		1
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass.....		6
Boston Record Commission, Boston, Mass.....	2	1
Boston Registry of Probate, Boston, Mass.....	3	
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me.....		1
British Museum, London, Eng.....	6	
Brooklyn Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.....		1
Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pa.....		1
Buffalo Historical Society, Buffalo, N. Y.....		2
Bunker Hill Association, Boston, Mass.....	1	1
California, Historical Society of Southern, Los Angeles, Cal.....		1
California State Mining Bureau, San Francisco, Cal.....		3
Canadian Archives Department, Ottawa, Canada.....		10
Canadian Geological Survey, Ottawa, Canada.....	2	5
Carleton College, Northfield, Minn.....		3
Chicago Academy of Sciences, Chicago, Ill.....		3
Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago, Ill.....	1	
Chicago Historical Society, Chicago, Ill.....		1
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill.....		1
Chicago Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill.....		2
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co.....		2
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio.....		1
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio.....		2
Cobden Club, London, Eng.....		2
Colby University, Waterville, Me.....		1
Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Col.....		1
Columbia University, New York City.....	2	4

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Connecticut Department of State, Hartford, Conn.....	1	
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Conn.....	1	2
Davenport Academy of Sciences, Davenport, Iowa.....		3
Dedham Historical Society, Dedham, Mass.....		1
Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.....		1
Duluth Public Library, Duluth, Minn.....	8	14
Egypt Exploration Fund, Bristol, Eng.....		1
Emerson School of Oratory, Boston, Mass.....		1
Engineers' Society, St. Paul.....	1	
Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.....		1
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill.....		1
Fitchburg Historical Society, Fitchburg, Mass.....		1
Hartford Theological Seminary, Hartford, Conn.....		7
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.....	2	1
Harvard University Alumni Association, Cambridge, Mass.....		1
Harvard University Library, Cambridge, Mass.....		3
Helena Public Library, Helena, Mont.....		7
Hendricks School, St. Paul.....		1
Historical Manuscript Commission, London, Eng.....		2
Illinois Geological Survey, Springfield, Ill.....	3	
Illinois Society of Colonial Wars, Chicago, Ill.....		1
Illinois Society of Sons of the American Revolution.....	1	
Illinois State Historical Society, Springfield, Ill.....	1	1
Indian Chieftain (newspaper), Vinita, I. T.....		1
Indiana Physio-Medical College, Indianapolis, Ind.....		1
Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, Ind.....	21	2
Iowa Department of State, Des Moines, Iowa.....	37	21
Iowa Geological Survey, Des Moines, Iowa.....	2	
Iowa Historical Department, Des Moines, Iowa.....	1	2
Iowa State Historical Society, Iowa City, Iowa.....	1	15
Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Ks.....	1	1
La Crosse Board of Trade, La Crosse, Wis.....		1
Lackawanna Institute of History and Science, Scranton, Pa.....		3
Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.....		1
Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa.....		2
Lenox Library, New York City.....		1
Library Company, Philadelphia, Pa.....		21
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal.....		2
Louisiana Historical Society, New Orleans, La.....		3
Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society, Winnipeg, Man.....		3
Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore, Md.....		2
Massachusetts Commission of Labor, Boston, Mass.....	2	
Massachusetts Department of State, Boston, Mass.....	2	
Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, Mass.....	4	48
Massachusetts Horticultural Society, Boston, Mass.....		15
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass.....		2
Massachusetts Medical Society, Boston, Mass.....		2
Massachusetts Society of Colonial Wars, Boston, Mass.....		1
Massachusetts Society of Sons of the Revolution, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Mercantile Library, New York City.....		2

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Merchants' Exchange, St. Louis, Mo.....		3
Miami Medical College, Cincinnati, Ohio.....		1
Michigan Mining School, Houghton, Mich.		2
Michigan Pioneer and Historical Society, Lansing, Mich.....	2	1
Michigan State Library, Lansing, Mich.....	2	
Milwaukee Public Museum, Milwaukee, Wis.....		1
Minisink Valley Historical Society, Port Jervis, N. Y.....		1
Minneapolis Bar Association, Minneapolis.....		1
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis.....	2	19
Minnesota Academy of Natural Sciences, Minneapolis.....		1
Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station, St. Anthony Park, Minn.	1	73
Minnesota Association of the Deaf, Faribault, Minn.....		1
Minnesota Congregational Association, St. Paul.....		1
Minnesota Democratic Committee, Presidential Campaign, 1896, St. Paul		1
Minnesota Editorial and Publishers' Association, St. Paul.....	1	
Minnesota Geological and Natural History Survey, Minneapolis... ..	11	
Minnesota Horticultural Society, Minneapolis.....	1	
Minnesota Hospital for the Insane, Board of Trustees.....		1
Minnesota Society of Colonial Wars, St. Paul.....	1	
Minnesota Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, St. Paul	2	
Minnesota Soldiers' Home, Trustees, St. Paul.....	1	
Minnesota State Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic.....		1
Minnesota Weather Bureau, Minneapolis.....	4	10
Missouri Department of State, Jefferson City, Mo.....	1	
Missouri Geological Survey, Jefferson City, Mo.....	6	
Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis, Mo.....		8
Missouri Medical Association		1
Montana Historical Society, Helena, Mont.....	2	1
National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D. C.....	1	
Nebraska Historical Society, Lincoln, Neb.....		2
Newberry Library, Chicago, Ill.....		1
New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, Mass.....		16
New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord, N. H.....		1
New Hampshire State Library, Concord, N. H.....	12	
New Jersey Geological Survey, Trenton, N. J.....	5	
New York Civil Service Commission, Albany, N. Y.....	1	
New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, New York City	1	
New York Historical Society, New York City.....		1
New York Society of Sons of the Revolution.....	1	
New York State Library, Albany, N. Y.....		1
Oberlin College Library, Oberlin, Ohio.....		2
Oneida Historical Society, Utica, N. Y.....		5
Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, New York City...		1
Parkman Club, Milwaukee, Wis.....		2
Parliament Library, Ottawa, Canada.....	3	5
Peabody Institute, Baltimore, Md.....		1
Pennsylvania Historical Society, Philadelphia, Pa.....	2	1

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Pennsylvania State Library, Harrisburg, Pa.....	20	3
Philadelphia Trades League, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	
Portland Library Association, Portland, Ore.....		2
Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia, Pa.....		2
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I.....		1
Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, R. I.....	2	3
Royal Academy of Belles Lettres, History, and Antiquities, Stock- holm, Sweden		47
Royal Geographical Society of Australasia, Brisbane, Queensland.		1
Royal Historical Society, London, Eng.....	1	
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa, Canada.....	2	
Royal Society, London, Eng.....	1	
St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn.....		2
St. Louis Mercantile Library, St. Louis, Mo.....		1
St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn.....		1
St. Paul Board of Fire Relief Committee, St. Paul.....	2	
St. Paul Book and Stationery Co., St. Paul.....		1
St. Paul Public Library, St. Paul.....		8
St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul.....		1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass.....		2
Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn.....		1
Sidney Public Library, New South Wales.....	1	
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.....	4	16
Society of Mayflower Descendants, New York City.....	1	
South Dakota Agricultural College, Brookings, S. Dak.....		5
Stanford University, Palo Alto, Cal.....		5
Surrey Archaeological Society, Surrey, Eng.....	1	2
Syracuse Central Library, Syracuse, N. Y.....		1
Tufts College, Medford, Mass.....		8
United States Government Departments, Washington, D. C.:		
Bureau of American Republics.....	11	1
Bureau of Education.....	8	2
Bureau of Ethnology.....	2	3
Bureau of Pensions.....	1	1
Bureau of Statistics.....	1	2
Census Office	11	
Civil Service Commission.....	1	
Coast and Geodetic Survey.....	3	
Department of Agriculture.....	8	64
Department of the Interior.....	114	36
Department of Labor.....	4	5
Department of the Navy.....	2	1
Department of State.....		12
Engineer Corps	1	
Geological Survey	7	
Life-Saving Service	3	
National Museum	1	
Naval Observatory	1	
Patent Office	26	1
Signal Office (Weather Bureau).....	2	3

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Superintendent of Documents (not otherwise classified).....	120	20
Treasury Department	9	9
War Department	24	1
University of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz.....		5
University of California, Berkeley, Cal.....		32
University of Heidelberg, Germany.....		1
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.....		29
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.....		2
University of Rochester, Rochester, N. Y.....		1
University of the State of New York, Albany, N. Y.....	1	6
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.....		1
University of South Dakota, Vermillion, S. Dak.....		2
University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada.....		14
University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.....		1
Vermont, Diocese of, Burlington, Vt.....		2
Wayne County Pioneer Association, Detroit, Mich.....		1
Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn.....		2
West Publishing Co., St. Paul.....	1	
Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, Ohio.....	2	26
Wilkes-Barre Historical Society, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....		2
Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.....		1
Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Madison, Wis.....		1
Wisconsin State Historical Society, Madison, Wis.....	85	15
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass.....		2
Worcester Society of Antiquity, Worcester, Mass.....		2
Wyoming Commemorative Association, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....		2
Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....		1
Yale University, New Haven, Conn.....	1	7
Yonkers Historical and Library Association, Yonkers, N. Y.....		1

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Blakeley, Capt. Russell, St. Paul		1
Bradlee, Rev. Caleb D., Brookline, Mass		2
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Brown, Judge Calvin L., Morris, Minn.....	1	
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Daggett, George H., Minneapolis.....	8	
Darling, Gen. Charles W., Utica, N. Y.....		5
De Peyster, Gen. John Watts, Tivoli, N. Y.....	1	12
Espy, Major John, St. Paul.....	4	8
Farrington, Robert I., St. Paul.....	3	
Gillfillan, Rev. J. A., White Earth, Minn.....		1
Grant, Hon. William H., St. Paul.....	2	4

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Green, Dr. Samuel A., Boston, Mass.....	85	411
Hill, James J., St. Paul.....	52	
Johnson, Gen. Richard W., St. Paul.....		1
Ludden, Hon. John D., St. Paul.....		5
Mayo, Charles E., St. Paul.....		1
Mitchell, Rev. Edward C., St. Paul.....	19	234
Neff, Peter, Cleveland, Ohio.....		2
Noyes, Charles P., St. Paul.....	2	1
Noyes, Daniel R., St. Paul.....	1	
Parvin, Theodore S., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	1	2
Pike, Charles Eliot, St. Paul.....	1	
Pillsbury, Hon. John S., Minneapolis.....	1	
Shields, James, St. Paul.....	4	11
Upham, Henry P., St. Paul.....		1
Whipple, Major Charles H., St. Paul.....	1	1
Winchell, Prof. N. H., Minneapolis.....	1	1
Winslow, Rev. William C., Boston, Mass.....		1

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Abbott, Samuel W., Boston, Mass.....		1
Adams, I. Smith, Milltown, Me.....		1
Adams, John Quincy, St. Paul.....	1	
Adams, Mrs. John Quincy, St. Paul.....	1	5
Allanson, Henry G., Henderson, Minn., about.....		1090
Ames, Mrs. Adelbert, Lowell, Mass.....	1	
Armstrong, John M., St. Paul.....	4	
Atwell, Charles B., Evanston, Ill.....		2
Atwood, E. H., St. Cloud, Minn.....		1
Avery, Hon. Elroy M., Cleveland, Ohio.....		9
Axtell, Mrs. E. M., St. Paul.....	1	
Balch, Edwin Swift, Philadelphia, Pa.....	2	
Barbour, Edmund D., Boston, Mass.....		1
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Beals, Walter B., St. Paul.....	1	
Beebe, I. H. B., St. Paul.....		1
Bent, Allen H., Boston, Mass.....		3
Blake, George M., Rockford, Ill.....		1
Blomberg, Dr. Anton, Stockholm, Sweden.....		1
Bolton, H. Carrington, New York City.....		1
Bourinot, J. G., Ottawa, Canada.....		1
Bourke, Capt. John C., Point Ethan Allen, Vt.....		1
Boynton, Mrs. John F., Groveland, Mass.....		1
Bray, N. J., Cushman, Minn.....		3
Bromley, Edward A., Minneapolis.....		10
Buck, William J., Jenkintown, Pa.....	1	
Carles, Dr. O., Buenos Ayres, Argentina.....	1	
Carney, Dr. Sidney H., New York City.....		2
Castle, Capt. Henry A., St. Paul.....		59
Chamberlin, J. E., Boston, Mass.....		1
Chappel, Dr. George M., Des Moines, Iowa.....	1	

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Child, Simeon P., St. Paul.....	1	
Clark, Kenneth, St. Paul.....		1
Clum, Martin J., St. Paul.....	1	
Collins, H. L., St. Paul.....	4	2
Cooper, Arthur E., Cooper's Plains, N. Y.....	1	
Cornwall, Edward E., Brooklyn, N. Y.....		2
Corrigan, Rev. Severinus J., St. Paul.....	1	
Cowie, George G., St. Paul.....	2	42
Cowles, Capt. C. D., Washington, D. C.....		2
Crane, John C., West Millbury, Mass.....		1
Cudmore, P., Faribault, Minn.....		1
Currie, Neil, Currie, Minn.....		1
Davies, Thomas A., New York City.....	1	
Davis, Capt. Charles L., Asheville, N. C.....		1
De Benneville, James S., Philadelphia, Pa.....		1
Deppe, Hartwig, St. Paul.....	1	5
Dickerman, Rev. S. G., Amherst, Mass.....	1	
Drane, Mrs. Nellie S., Pasadena, Cal.....		1
Drew, Benjamin, Plymouth, Mass.....		1
Drummond, Judge Josiah H., Portland, Me.....		1
Eastman, Dr. Arthur M., St. Paul.....	2	
Eastman, Austin V., St. Paul.....	1	
Eastman, Charles R., Ph. D., Cambridge, Mass.....		1
Eaton, Rev. A. W., New York City.....		3
Edwards, Rev. Maurice D., St. Paul.....		58
Egleston, Thomas, New York City.....	1	
Evans, Clinton B., Chicago, Ill.....	1	
Farwell, Ozmun, Kirk & Co., St. Paul.....	1	
Fitts, George H., Willimantic, Conn.....	1	
Forbes, Charles A., St. Paul.....		1
French, A. D. Weld, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Fuller, J. F., Appleton, Wis.....		1
Gardner, Hon. Washington, Lansing, Mich.....	1	
Gilman, Hon. Charles A., St. Paul.....	12	
Goodwin, James J., Hartford, Conn.....		1
Goodwin, John S., Chicago, Ill.....		3
Granger, Annie D., Buffalo, N. Y.....	1	
Green, Charles R., Lyndon, Kan.....		6
Green, Samuel S., Worcester, Mass.....		1
Gregory, John G., Milwaukee, Wis.....		1
Hammond, W. A., St. Paul.....	1	
Hapgood, Warren, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Hart, Rev. H. H., St. Paul.....	36	141
Hawes, Gilbert Q., New York City.....		1
Hayden, Rev. Horace E., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....		1
Hazard, George H., St. Paul.....	3	13
Helm, James L., St. Paul.....	8	19
Hemstreet, Frank E., St. Paul.....		24
Herrick, Rev. Robert P., Minneapolis.....		1
Hersey, Francis C., South Boston, Mass.....	1	

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Hewitt, Dr. Charles N., Red Wing, Minn.....		1
Hicks, Ratcliffe, New York City.....	1	
Hill, Alfred J., St. Paul.....		1
Hingeley, Rev. Joseph B., Minneapolis.....		1
Hooker, Commander Edward, Brooklyn, N. Y.....		4
Huehner, Carl, Los Angeles, Cal.....	1	1
Huehner, Mrs. Marie H., Los Angeles, Cal.....	3	4
Hunter, Mrs. Charles H., Minneapolis.....	2	
Jensen, Mathias, St. Paul.....	1	
Jewett, Richard H. L., St. Paul.....	2	
Kenyon, Hon. Moses D., St. Paul.....		40
Kenyon, William J. C., St. Paul.....		1
Kiester, Judge J. A., Blue Earth City, Minn.....	1	
Kitchel, Stanley R., Minneapolis.....	1	
Lawrence, John, Groton, Mass.....		1
Leeds, B. F., College Park, Cal.....		1
Leffingwell, Dr. Albert, Cambridge, Mass.....		1
Lesuer, Hon. A. A., Jefferson City, Mo.....	1	
Lewis, Prof. Theodore H., St. Paul.....	10	160
Liggett, Hon. William M., St. Anthony Park, St. Paul.....	2	
Lull, Newton, Chicago, Ill.....	1	
Mason, Gen. Edwin C., St. Paul.....		1
Mason, Mrs. Edwin C., St. Paul.....		7
McCardy, Joseph J., St. Paul.....	2	
McCluer, Mrs. W. M., Stillwater, Minn.....	4	
McCormick, Cyrus H., Chicago, Ill.....	1	
McWilliams, J. E., St. Paul.....		1
Melville, Henry, New York City.....	1	
Merrill, Giles W., St. Paul.....		1
Mertz, Jacob K., St. Paul.....		5
Metcalf, Mrs. George R., St. Paul.....	1	
Milligan, Edward W., St. Paul.....		1
Miner, Sidney R., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....		1
Moore, Clarence B., Philadelphia, Pa.....	3	2
Morse, Jerome E., New York City.....		1
Morse, John H., Hartford, Conn.....		1
Muehlberg, Gen. Hermann, St. Paul.....	1	
Munson, Rev. Myron A., New Haven, Conn.....		6
Murray, J. C., White Bear, Minn.....		1
Murray, William, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Nelson, William, Paterson, N. J.....		1
Nicoll, Alex., Jr., St. Paul.....		1
Park, Mrs. John C., Great Falls, Mont.....	1	
Parker, E. F., St. Paul.....		15
Partridge, Dr. A. P., St. Paul.....	3	3
Pearce, Dr. Thomas J., St. Paul.....		2
Pepper, David, Philadelphia, Pa.....		1
Pohl, William, St. Paul.....	1	
Pope, Rev. Edward R., Minneapolis.....		4
Porter, Cyrus K., Buffalo, N. Y.....		1

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Powers, L. G., Minneapolis.....		27
Pullman Palace Car Co., Pullman, Ill.....		1
Ramaley, David, St. Paul.....		1
Reade, Capt. Philip, Ft. Snelling, Minn.....	1	18
Reese, Rev. Charles A., Minneapolis.....		1
Rice, Mrs. Anna M., St. Paul.....	228	
Robert Clarke Co., Cincinnati, Ohio.....		3
Robertson, Mrs. D. A., St. Paul.....	404	
Robinson, C. H., St. Paul.....	2	
Robinson, Lewis A., St. Paul.....		2
Robinson, Lucy M., St. Paul.....		1
Root, Azariah S., Oberlin, Ohio.....		1
Rose, Charles A., St. Paul.....	2	
Rosen, Rev. Peter, Heidelberg, Minn.....	1	1
Sargent, John S., Chicago, Ill.....		1
Searight, James A., Uniontown, Pa.....	1	
Sears, Major Clinton B., Duluth, Minn.....		1
Sellers, Edwin Jacquett, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	
Sheire, George H., St. Paul.....		2
Shipman, Hon. William D., New York City.....	1	
Smith, Mrs. Charles E., St. Paul.....		1
Smith, H. H. H. Crapo, Detroit, Mich.....		1
Speed, Thomas, Louisville, Ky.....	1	1
Sprague, Finney, St. Paul.....	1	
Stanton, B. I., St. Paul.....	1	
Stewart, Mrs. Catherine, St. Paul.....	72	
Stowe, Rev. A. D., Stillwater, Minn.....		1
Strong, Pres. James W., Northfield, Minn.....		2
Strong, R. O., St. Paul.....	1	2
Swan, Hon. Robert T., Washington, D. C.....		2
Taber, Russell, Wheeling, W. Va.....	1	
Talcott, Miss Mary K., Hartford, Conn.....		1
Taylor, H. Knox, St. Paul.....		8
Thompson, Charles, St. Paul.....		2
Thurston, John H., St. Paul.....	1	
Titus, James H., Minneapolis.....	2	29
Torrance, Judge Ell, Minneapolis.....		1
Tower, Charlemagne, Jr., New York City.....	1	
Usher, Edward P., Boston, Mass.....	1	
Wade, Edward P., St. Paul.....	4	
Wadlin, Horace G., Boston, Mass.....	1	
Walker, Miss Anne F. Rose, Richmond, Va.....	1	
Webb, W. Seward, New York City.....	1	
Webster, Prentiss, Lowell, Mass.....		1
Wheeler, Olin D., St. Paul.....		10
Wheeler, William Ogden, Sharon, Conn.....	1	4
Whetstone, Dr. Mary S., Minneapolis.....		6
White, Major George Q., St. Paul.....		2
Wilkinson, Rev. William, Minneapolis.....	1	
Williams, Mrs. Catherine, St. Paul (removed to Highlands, Col.), about		300

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Williams, Charles J., St. Paul.....	1	
Williams, Prof. Edward H., Jr., Bethlehem, Pa.....	2	
Willis, Frank D., St. Paul.....	4	47
Winthrop, Robert C., Jr., Boston, Mass.....	6	
Wright, Mrs. Wilson D., St. Paul.....		3
Wyman, Horace, Worcester, Mass.....		1

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*Green, Dr. Samuel A., Boston, Mass.....	5
Hall, Rev. Richard, St. Paul.....	1
*Hill, James J., St. Paul.....	3
Holcomb, R. L., St. Paul.....	1
Mason, Gen. Edwin C., St. Paul.....	3
*Merrill, Daniel D., St. Paul.....	1
Phelps, William F., St. Paul.....	2
Reeve, Hon. C. McC., Minneapolis.....	1
Robertson, Victor, Chicago, Ill.....	2
*Sanborn, Gen. John B., St. Paul.....	2
Savvyer, Charles E., St. Paul.....	1
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*Whipple, Major C. H., St. Paul.....	2
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Lewis, Prof. Theodore H., St. Paul.....	1
Missouri Geological Survey, Jefferson City, Mo.....	4
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Bevans, Col. Henry T., St. Paul.....	1		
Bromley, Edward A., Minneapolis.....	6	4	
*Brower, Hon. J. V., St. Paul.....		1	
Chittenden, Edwin S., St. Paul.....		1	
Clarke, Hopewell, St. Paul.....		2	
Clum, Martin J., St. Paul.....	1		
Damren, B. R., St. Peter, Minn.....			1
Deppe, Hartwig, St. Paul.....			20
Edsten, Adolph, Minneapolis.....	1		
*Espy, Major John, St. Paul.....			14
Faribault, W. R., St. Louis, Mo.....	2		
Farwell, Ozmun, Kirk & Co., St. Paul.....			1
*Flandrau, Hon. Charles E., St. Paul.....	4		
Folsom, Simeon P., St. Paul.....	1		
*Gilfillan, Rev. J. A., White Earth, Minn.....			12
*Green, Dr. Samuel A., Boston, Mass.....		3	
Griggs, George, St. Paul.....			1
Hoffman, Francis, St. Paul.....			1
Hooker, Commander Edward, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	1	1	
Hurd, Rukard, St. Paul.....		1	
Jewett, R. H. L., St. Paul.....			4
Jones, Major William A., St. Paul.....			1
Kimball, Edward J., Minneapolis.....		2	
Lewis, Prof. Theodore H., St. Paul.....	3	3	38
Long, Miss Charlotte B., Minneapolis.....		1	
Ludden, Miss Rosina, St. Paul.....			1
Minnesota Geological and Natural History Survey, Minneapolis.....	1		
Moon, John B., St. Paul.....			1
Munch, Herman, St. Paul (fossils), about.....			40
Nicoll, Alex., Jr., St. Paul.....		1	
Parsons, W. B., St. Paul.....			1
Phelps, William F., St. Paul.....	1		
Powell, Dr. Frank, St. Paul.....			1
Preston, F. A., Ripon, Wis.....			1
Robertson, Mrs. Julia, St. Paul.....	1		
Rowe, John, St. Paul.....		1	
Shaw, Lafayette, St. Paul.....	1		
Shepherd, R. Harry, St. Paul (a group picture).....	37		
Smith, F. J., St. Paul.....			1
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Thurston, John H., St. Paul.....		1	
Titus, James H., Minneapolis.....		3	
Wade, Edward P., St. Paul.....		2	
Watkins, Dr. J. R., Winona, Minn.....			1
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CHARTER.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA.

[Approved October 20, 1849.]

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

That C. K. Smith, David Olmsted, H. H. Sibley, Aaron Goodrich, David Cooper, B. B. Meeker, A. M. Mitchell, T. R. Potts, J. C. Ramsey, H. M. Rice, F. Steele, Charles W. Borup, D. B. Loomis, M. S. Wilkinson, L. A. Babcock, Henry Jackson, W. D. Phillips, Wm. H. Forbes, Martin McLeod, and their associates, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, by the name and style of the "Minnesota Historical Society," and by that name, they and their successors shall be, and they are hereby made capable in law, to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend, answer and be answered in any court of record or elsewhere, and to hold any estate, real, personal, or mixed, and the same to grant, sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of for the benefit of said Society, and to receive donations to be applied as the donor may direct, and to devise and keep a common seal; and to make and enforce any by-laws not contrary to the constitution and laws of the United States or this Territory; and to enjoy all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation, and that the property which the Society may be allowed to hold shall not exceed five thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That any five members may, at any meeting of said Society, constitute a quorum to do business, and shall, within one year from and after the passage of this act, organize, and, under such regulations as they may adopt, elect a President, two Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, who shall record the proceedings, do the correspondence, and file all communications he may receive touching the object of the Society; which said officers shall hold their offices respectively until their successors are elected, which may take place every three years. The regular meetings of said Society shall take place on the second Monday succeeding the annual meeting of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, at the seat of government; and the object of said Society shall be the collection and preservation of a Library, Mineralogical and Geological specimens, Indian curiosities, and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate the history and settlement of said Territory.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED, "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA."

[Approved March 1, 1856.]

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That in addition to the privileges and immunities granted, and duties assigned to the Minnesota Historical Society by the act approved October 20, 1849, the said Society shall be allowed to receive by bequest, donation, or purchase, any amount of property, real or personal, and shall hold the same in perpetuity, as a sacred trust for the uses and purposes of said Society, without in any manner mortgaging, or by debts encumbering such property now in possession, or thereafter to be-acquired; nor shall any such property be liable, in any manner or form whatever, for any debt contracted by said Society; and the real property now vested in the Society, in the city of St. Paul, and the building hereafter to be located thereon, as a Hall for the same, and the personal property of the Society, shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 2. As soon as convenient after the passage of this act, the Society shall elect an Executive Council, consisting of not more than twenty-five members of the Society, who shall hold their office for the term of three years, and until their successors are elected, which election shall thereafter take place triennially. The Executive Council shall elect and appoint all officers, and such agents and collaborators of the Society, resident and non-resident, as they may deem necessary or useful, and the Executive Council shall have the custody of all the property, real and personal, of the Society, and shall frame such by-laws and constitution for their government as they may deem expedient, and do all other things not inconsistent with this act, essential to the prosperity of the Society.

SEC. 3. The objects of said Society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and all other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof, a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science, and literature.

SEC. 4. That all acts and part of acts, so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER XV, SESSION LAWS OF 1856, IN RELATION TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

[Approved Feb. 19, 1875.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That chapter XV of the Session Laws of 1856, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Historical Society of Minnesota,'" be and is hereby amended so as to increase the number of members composing the Executive Council, to thirty.

SEC. 2. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Auditor, and Treasurer of State, and the Attorney General, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Executive Council.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AS A FREE
PUBLIC LIBRARY.

[Approved March 5, 1869.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That for the better support and more enlarged usefulness of the Minnesota Historical Society, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two thousand dollars, which shall be paid to, and expended by, the Executive Council of said Society, in such manner as they may deem will best promote its objects and aid its purposes; and said Executive Council shall, at the close of the year, report to the Governor the manner in which such money has been expended, and the vouchers therefor.

SEC. 2. And in consideration of such sum, the said Society shall cause their library to be kept open for the free use of the public, during the usual business hours about the Capitol, under such restrictions relative to the consultation of books, and the taking of extracts therefrom, as the Executive Council may direct.

EXTRACT FROM ARTICLE XV, SECTION 1, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE
OF MINNESOTA.

[Adopted October 13, 1857.]

In the event of the seat of government being removed from the city of St. Paul to any other place in the State, the Capitol building and grounds shall be dedicated to an institution for the promotion of science, literature, and the arts, to be organized by the Legislature of the State, and of which institution the Minnesota Historical Society shall always be a department.

BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

ADOPTED MARCH 18, 1879.

1. The annual meetings of the Society shall be held at the rooms of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, on the second Monday succeeding the assembling of the Legislature, in years when a session is held, and in other years on the second Monday of January. Due notice of the meetings shall be given by the Secretary, by a publication of the same in at least two papers of the State.

2. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn to a time certain.

3. All active members in good standing shall have the right to participate in the business of the annual or other meetings of the Society.

4. The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Call to order by the President.

2. Reading of minutes of last annual or any special meeting.

3. Reports of officers.

4. Election of Executive Council (at triennial meetings).

5. Addresses, lectures, or papers read.

6. Any other business properly coming before the Society.

5. Special meetings of the Society, for any purpose, may be called by the President, at the request of five members.

6. Any life member may be nominated for membership in the Executive Council. All voting for members of the Council shall be by ballot. All nominations made to the Secretary previous to the triennial meeting, shall be by him printed on a slip for the use of members in balloting, and members can vote only when present in person. All the members nominated may be voted for on one ballot, and a majority of all votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

ORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENTS FOR STUDY AND INVESTIGATION.

7. To promote the usefulness of this Society, by encouraging the acquisition and diffusion of knowledge among its members and the people of Minnesota generally, departments may be organized as follows:

Any three or larger number of members of the Society may organize any department now or hereafter designated, and select their own chairman and hold their meetings in the council room of the Society, at such times as it shall not be pre-engaged by the Executive Council or any other department. The departments to be so organized at this time shall be known and designated as follows:

Department of Annals and General History of Minnesota.

“ Geology of Minnesota.

“ Zoölogy of Minnesota.

“ Botany of Minnesota.

“ Meteorology of Minnesota.

“ Northwestern Geography and Cartology.

“ American History.

“ European History.

“ Oriental History.

“ Genealogy and Heraldry.

“ Ethnology and Anthropology.

8. Any branch of the departments may be constituted a section, and any section or group of sections may be constituted a department, on the approval of the Executive Council. Each department or section shall have power to establish any rules and regulations for its government that are not inconsistent with the charter or by-laws of this Society.

9. Additional departments may be organized in like manner as the foregoing, whenever approved by the Executive Council. Whenever the Executive Council shall refer any question or subject to any department or section, its members shall investigate the same without unnecessary delay, and report thereon to the Executive Council.

10. When any persons shall become annual members of the Society, and shall pay their fees, with the declared purpose of becoming members of a department, the fees and dues by them paid may be expended by such department, for any books and periodicals desired for its use. And the members of said department may withdraw the books so purchased from the rooms of the Library, under the rules and regulations adopted by them, when the same shall have been approved by the Executive Council; provided, that all books so purchased shall be the property of the Society.

BY-LAWS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

OBJECTS, POWERS AND DUTIES.

1. The objects, powers and duties of this Society are defined in its charter. Among its objects are the following: To collect, arrange, and preserve, a Library of Books, Pamphlets, Maps, Manuscripts, Prints, Papers, or Paintings; a cabinet of Minerals and Archaeological curiosities, and other materials illustrative of the Civil, Religious, Literary, and Natural History of the State; to rescue from oblivion the memory of its early pioneers, and to obtain and preserve narratives of their exploits, perils and hardy adventures; to exhibit faithfully the antiquities, the past and present condition, and resources of Minnesota; and it may take steps to promote the study of history by lectures and other means, and to publish and diffuse information relative to the description and history of the State.

MEMBERS.

2. The Society shall be composed of Active, Corresponding and Honorary Members.

3. Active Membership comprises such annual and life members as have been, or shall hereafter be, elected, and reside within this State.

4. Corresponding Members shall be persons residing elsewhere, who feel an interest in the Society and its objects, and are willing to aid it by representing it in their vicinity, and procuring donations for its Library and Cabinet.

5. Honorary Members shall consist of persons distinguished for their literary or scientific attainments, particularly in the department of American History.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

6. No person shall be elected to membership unless proposed at a regular meeting of the Executive Council, and his admission moved by two members of the Society. If any member demand a ballot, the same shall be taken, and five negative votes shall exclude the person proposed.

7. Annual dues shall be five dollars per annum; any member who shall pay annual dues for six successive years, shall then be entitled to a life membership; but any person, by paying the sum of twenty-five dollars at one time, in advance, may be elected a life member, and shall thereafter be free from the payment of annual dues.

8. Should any annual member fail to pay the annual dues for three months, his name shall be erased from the roll of members, and not be replaced until all arrearages of dues are paid.

GOVERNMENT.

9. The government of the Society shall be vested in an Executive Council (as provided by the charter and its amendments), composed of the *ex-officio* members, and thirty life members, to be chosen by ballot every three years at an annual meeting of the Society; due notice of said meeting to be given in at least two papers of the State.

10. The Executive Council shall have the control and regulation of the affairs of the Society, and shall make collections and disbursements of its funds, and shall take all needful measures for its success and proper management.

11. The Executive Council shall fill vacancies in their own number or among the officers of the Society (caused by death, removal from the State, resignation, or any other cause), and may, in its discretion, declare the place of any member of the Council vacant, who shall be absent three successive meetings thereof without sending a reasonable excuse therefor to the Secretary.

OFFICERS.

12. The officers of the Executive Council shall be the officers of the Society, and shall be as follows:

- A President;
- A First Vice-President;
- A Second Vice-President;
- A Secretary; and
- A Treasurer;

who shall be elected by a majority of actual and individual ballots, at the first meeting of the Executive Council after the triennial meetings of the Society, and shall serve for the term of three years and until their successors are chosen; and no *viva voce* nominations shall be made in the Executive Council for the election of officers of the Council, or for filling vacancies of officers or members of the Council.

If any officer is absent from the monthly meetings of the Executive Council more than three successive meetings, unless detained by sickness, absence from the city, or any reasonable cause, his office may be declared vacant.

VACANCIES.

13. If a vacancy shall occur in any of the offices of the Society, or in the Executive Council, it shall be filled by a special election, at the next meeting of the Council, and the person so elected shall hold his office for the unexpired term of the person vacating the same.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER.

14. The President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, or in their absence, a Chairman, *pro tempore*, shall preside at all meetings of the Society and the Executive Council, and shall have a casting vote. He shall preserve order, and decide all questions of order subject to an appeal. He shall also appoint all committees authorized by the Executive Council or by the Society, unless otherwise provided.

THE SECRETARY.

15. The Secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the Society, furnish diplomas to members, give due notice of the annual and monthly meetings, and attend to the correspondence of the Society, carefully preserving the originals of all letters received, laying the same before the Executive Council, at its monthly meetings. He shall, on being advised of the death of any member, record it, with the time and place of death, and report the same at the next meeting. He shall be, *ex-officio*, a member of all the standing committees, and perform such other duties as the Council shall direct. He shall make a written report of the operations of the Society at the annual meetings. The Secretary shall also perform the duties of Librarian until otherwise directed by a vote of the Council.

THE TREASURER.

16. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Society, and disburse the same only on the order of the Executive Council, attested by the Secretary. He shall give bonds in such sum as may be required and approved by the Executive Council. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and payments, and report the same in full to the Society at its annual meetings, and to the Executive Council quarterly, or whenever so ordered.

THE LIBRARIAN.

17. The Librarian shall have charge of the Library and Cabinet, the care and arrangement of books, manuscripts, papers, maps, &c., belonging to the same. He shall properly preserve, arrange and keep them in good order. He shall cause to be prepared and kept, a proper catalogue of the same. He shall keep a book in which shall be recorded all donations to the Society of whatever nature, with the name of the donor and date of the same, and shall acknowledge the receipt thereof, and also carefully label such donations with the title of this Society, and name of the donor. He shall under no circumstances permit any book, manuscript, document, or anything belonging to the Society, to be removed from its rooms, except as provided for in section 10 of the by-laws of the Society. At each monthly meeting he shall report the donations received since the last meeting, and at the annual meeting shall make a full report of the condition and progress of the Library.

MEETINGS, QUORUM, ETC.

18. The regular meetings of the Executive Council shall be held on the second Monday of every month.

19. Ten members shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Council for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

20. The Standing Committees of the Executive Council shall be as follows:

1. A COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION, to whom shall be referred all questions pertaining to the charter and by-laws.

2. A COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT BUILDING, whose duty shall be to devise the best ways and means for securing a permanent building or hall, for the use of the Society.

3. A COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, who shall examine and report upon all claims against the Society, and also the reports and accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer.

4. A COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY, who shall, with the Secretary and Librarian, have the general superintendence of the Library, the purchase of books, exchange of publications, procuring of suitable furniture, &c.

5. A COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION, who shall examine all manuscripts presented to the Society, and select those suitable for publication, which they shall edit and supervise, if ordered to be printed by the Society.

6. A COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY, who shall have the care of the property of the Society, and other matters connected with its real estate.

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21. All Committees, both standing and special, shall report on the subject referred to them, at the next succeeding meeting of the Executive Council, which report must be in writing and signed by the members of the Committee.

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22. The President shall call a meeting of the Executive Council, whenever requested, in writing, by five members of the Society.

23. Members of the Society in good standing, shall have the privilege of attending the meetings of the Executive Council and participating in all the exercises, but are not entitled to vote.

24. All parliamentary questions shall be decided by the President, subject to appeal to the Council.

25. All motions or resolutions, regarding the business management or work of the Society, shall be referred to its appropriate committee before being acted on, unless otherwise ordered by a two-thirds vote of the Council.

26. All amendments made to these by-laws shall be proposed in writing at a regular meeting of the Executive Council, and shall (if seconded by three other members) lie over for action at least one month, and a copy of such proposed amendment shall in the meantime be sent to each councilor; and no such proposed amendment shall be adopted unless by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of those present, which vote shall not be less than 10 in number.

27. All by-laws and rules for the government of this Society or its Council, not herein contained, are hereby abrogated.

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- I. The chair taken by the presiding officer.
- II. Calling the Roll of Members.
- III. Minutes read.
- IV. Donations received since last meeting reported.
- V. Correspondence read.
- VI. Reports of Standing Committees.
- VII. Reports of Special Committees.
- VIII. Nomination and election of Members.
- IX. Lectures, papers and obituary addresses read.
- X. Unfinished business.
- XI. New business.

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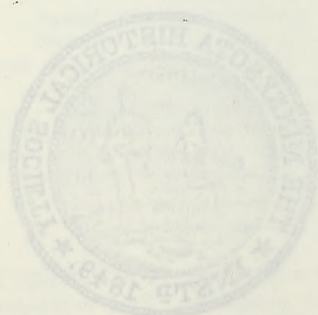
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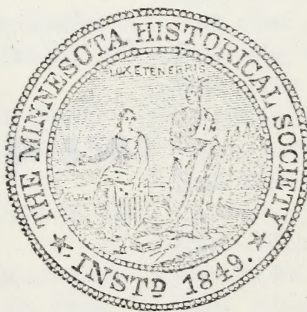
TENTH BIENNIAL REPORT
OF THE
MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

TO THE
LEGISLATURE OF MINNESOTA.

To His Excellency John Lind, Governor:

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Very respectfully,*

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REPORT.

Professione: giornalista, in *La grande volgarità*

The Minnesota Historical Society, in presenting to the legislature its tenth biennial report, may be pardoned for a reasonable

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the territory, and was incorporated by an act of the First Territorial legislature, approved October 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the territory, and its library, consisting then of only a few volumes, was the first established in Minnesota. The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and all other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science and literature."

The work of this society may therefore be formulated thus:

(1) The collection, preservation, and publication, of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

(2) The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the local and general history of Minnesota, of the United States and the world, and on all other valuable departments of knowledge.

(3) The diffusion, among the citizens of the state, of useful knowledge.

INCREASE AND PRESENT CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

On the date of our last biennial report, January 1, 1897, there were on our shelves, 27,704 bound and 31,507 unbound volumes; total, 59,211 volumes. During the year 1897 there were added 1,298 bound volumes and 117 unbound volumes, making the total number of volumes on our shelves on January 1, 1898, 60,626. During the year 1898 there were added 1,236 bound and 584 unbound volumes, making on January 1, 1899, 30,238 bound and 32,208 unbound volumes; total, 62,446 volumes.

The bound volumes acquired during the years 1897 and 1898 were from the following sources: By gift, 1,448, of which 409 were newspapers; by purchase, 1,086, of which 142 were newspapers.

All these accessions were catalogued, requiring the writing of 3,372 cards during 1897, and 2,758 during 1898; total number of cards on January 1, 1899, 66,418. The cataloguing has been done in a very careful manner by Mr. Kingsbury, besides his general attention to supply the books inquired for by users of the library.

The newspaper volumes were all bound by the society; and about 300 other books acquired by gift or purchase during 1897 and 1898 were bound by the society.

The preceding figures show a steady increase in the growth of the library. That the people of the state appreciate the magnitude and importance of our collection, is shown by the large increase in donations of books, manuscripts, pictures, and articles for the museum, from the people of the state at large; and the society trusts that those who have anything of an interesting or historical character, bearing on the history of Minnesota particularly, or of the Northwest, which ought to be placed where it cannot be lost, and where it will be accessible to those looking after information, will donate it to the society.

Many who frequent our rooms seeking information are authors, teachers, and scholars, who find on our shelves books which cannot be found elsewhere in the state, and which indeed are in only few of the older libraries of the East.

Owing to the interest now being taken in colonial, revolutionary and subsequent history, and in genealogies, our very large collection of these works, ranking third or fourth in the United States in size, attracts a large number of people who are tracing their ancestral history. In this search many important historical facts are brought to light that might otherwise be overlooked or lost entirely. To these classes of books there have been a large number added by donations, many of which could not have been obtained otherwise, being printed only for private distribution.

By count January 5, 1899, it is found that our collection of American genealogies contains 1,016 books and 408 pamphlets; total, 1,424. In the genealogical division of the card catalogue these works are referred to by about 2,550 titles.

In the department of biography, the card catalogue contains about 1,600 titles; but many additional biographies will be found under authors' and personal names.

Of township and strictly local histories (but not including county and state histories, biographies, and publications of societies), the number of bound volumes counted in the library January 5, 1899, for Maine was 87; New Hampshire, 100; Vermont, 35; Massachusetts, 430; Rhode Island, 40; and Connecticut, 98; with considerable numbers for New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and all the states, so far as these special histories have been published.

It is the aim of our Library Committee to make these departments as complete as possible, by securing, through purchase or donation, all books and pamphlets published in the United States and Canada on American genealogy and strictly local history.

The Minnesota department of our library is contained in five large cases. It comprises the journals of the legislature, and the laws enacted; messages and reports of executive officers and departments of the state government; reports of the State University, normal schools, and institutions of correction and charity; catalogues of our colleges and academies; reports of the state geological survey; of county, city, and town officers, boards of trade, railway and other corporations; state, city and town histories, atlases, and business directories; the published proceedings and records of the numerous religious, charitable, and social organizations; and many biographical, historical, statistical, and descriptive works, relating to our State, from the narratives of its earliest explorers to the present time. This collection includes 1,056 bound books, and about 1,500 pamphlets.

Eight quarto scrap books, of 160 pages each, prepared by the secretaries and assistants of this society during the past twenty years, present a great amount of biographical and historical information, pertaining wholly to Minnesota, not elsewhere so conveniently obtainable.

Another department which is much consulted is our complete series of reports of the United States Patent Office, which fills six cases. All the publications of our national government are received gratuitously, this being a designated depository library.

NEWSPAPERS.

Too much importance cannot be attached to the society's collection of Minnesota newspapers. The collection of newspapers has been an important object of the society ever since its foundation; and, with the exception of a few unimportant ones, it has a complete file of all the papers that have been published, and are being published, in the state. This department is under the efficient care of Mr. Chaney, who receives an average of about ninety-five newspapers daily for the society. Other than our files, many of the early newspapers of Minnesota have been lost, and much valuable matter, both of a historical and legal character, would be impossible to obtain without these files. The number of Minnesota newspapers, daily, weekly, and monthly, regularly received at the beginning of this year 1899, is 421, these being donated by the editors and publishers, who appreciate the importance of having them placed where they will be preserved for all coming time. They are a priceless treasury of materials for future historians, showing the development of Minnesota, of its counties, and of its separate townships, from their beginning to the present date. The newspaper collection is kept in an extensive fireproof vault, which is a part of the society's rooms in the capitol. It is accessible to all who wish to consult it, and is so arranged that any paper of any date can be readily found.

On January 1, 1897, there were 3,338 bound volumes of newspapers in our vault. During 1897 and 1898 there have been added 551; total, January 1, 1899, 3,889.

Among our files are three Canadian newspapers, and several from large cities in the United States outside of Minnesota, which are furnished at a nominal price.

The society is greatly in need of additional fireproof vault space, with convenient shelves, for this newspaper collection.

THE PORTRAIT COLLECTION.

The number of individual portraits displayed in the rooms of the society is 120; besides twenty group pictures, which comprise 788 portraits. Nearly all are of pioneers and founders of Minnesota, or of citizens who in more recent years have had a prominent part in the history and development of the state. There are also 84 other pictures, as of ancient buildings, monuments, paintings of historic scenes, etc., and 25 framed documents, including a letter of George Washington, written in 1754, which is in the case

holding the Washington chair. This collection is the most interesting part of the society's possessions for visitors who have only a short time to spend in our rooms.

THE CABINET OR MUSEUM.

Five large cases are filled with historical relics, illustrative of the conditions of the pioneer settlement of Minnesota, of the Sioux War and the Civil War, of the aboriginal people who built the thousands of prehistoric mounds in this state, and of the Sioux and Ojibways who were living here when the first white men reached this region. It is hoped that, when more space shall be provided for our library and museum, and for the display of portraits, in the new capitol building, all these collections shall be greatly increased, especially the departments of archaeology, with the stone implements and other handiwork of the Northwestern Indian tribes, and of paleontology and mineralogy, displaying the life history of the rocks of the state and their mineral wealth, which recently, in iron mining, has been so vastly developed.

DONATIONS.

During the years 1897 and 1898, this society has received donations of books and pamphlets for its library from 275 societies and institutions. Among these are the historical societies of other states, of Canada, England, and other countries; other societies devoted to sciences and the arts; schools, colleges, and universities; public libraries and museums; the geological surveys of several states, of the United States, and of Canada; and twenty departments of the United States government. From these donors, as enumerated in the list on later pages of this report, we have received, in the aggregate, 1,142 books and 2,823 pamphlets.

Eighty-one members of the society have made donations to its library, giving 643 books and 3,335 pamphlets. The number of persons not members of the society, from whom gifts have been received for the library is 280, the aggregate of their donations being 1,517 books and about 2,300 pamphlets. Many of the books and pamphlets received in these donations are duplicates of what were already in this library; but such are valuable for exchange, whereby others new to our collection are obtained.

Manuscripts have been presented by eighteen persons, the total number of these gifts being twenty-nine, including genealogical notes, old letters of rare historical value, papers on the history of

Minnesota, and biographical sketches. It is earnestly hoped that many others of the early pioneers of this state will write their reminiscences while it is yet possible for them to do so. Otherwise a great mass of important historical matter will be lost to posterity with the passing away of those who took an active part in the early history of the territory and state.

Twenty-five donors have added 46 atlases and 143 maps to this department of the library.

Thirty-five portraits, nearly all being of prominent citizens of Minnesota, besides three groups which together comprise 163 portraits, and 28 other pictures, have been added to the valuable collection in the society's rooms. Lastly, the museum has received 167 articles. The list of donors in these departments numbers fifty-seven.

To all these friends, societies, and other institutions, through whose donations our library and museum have been increased, we tender hearty thanks.

PUBLICATIONS.

Eight volumes of the Historical Collections of the society have been published, comprising papers and addresses presented in its meetings, relating almost wholly to the history of Minnesota and the Northwest. The final Part 3 (in 284 pages) of Volume VIII. was issued in May, 1898, and includes the papers read in the council meetings and annual meeting during the time from September, 1896, to May, 1897, with an index of this volume.

Preceding publications of the society have been included in the state printing; but, on account of the cutting down of the printing appropriation by the legislature in its session of 1897, this publication was done by the society from its regular appropriation. Its funds available for the purchase of books were thus diminished; but it is expected that this expenditure will be made up to the society by the legislature in this session.

The papers read before the society during the later part of 1897 and 1898 await publication as Part 1 of Volume IX., which we desire to issue within the present year, to be followed by the remainder of this volume in the year 1900. It is hoped that a sufficient state printing fund may be provided to include this, or that it may be defrayed through an increase of the appropriation for the society, which also is greatly needed for the purchase of books for its library.

MEMBERSHIP.

According to the by-laws of the Executive Council, the due of annual membership is five dollars yearly, which in six years confers life membership, with no further dues; but an applicant may become a life member at the beginning of membership by the payment of twenty-five dollars. Members receive the current publications of the society, are welcomed in the monthly council meetings, and are invited to write historical papers, especially on the local history of any part of Minnesota, for these meetings and for publication in the society's Historical Collections. Besides the annual and life members, who, when residing within this state, constitute the active membership, the society includes two other classes, namely, corresponding members and honorary members. A list of the present members of the society, with their addresses, is given on later pages.

The total membership numbers 264. The annual and life members, together comprising 179, are nearly all residents of Minnesota, or were so at the time of their election; but the 85 corresponding and honorary members represent nearly all the states of the Union, Alaska, the provinces of Manitoba and Ontario, and England.

NÉCROLOGY.

The following deaths of members of this society have occurred during the past two years:

1897.

Honorary Members:

Archbishop Thomas L. Grace, St. Paul.....February 22d.
Justin Winsor, Cambridge, Mass.....October 22d.

Corresponding Members:

Capt. Alfred B. Johnson, of the U. S. Army, in
San Antonio, Texas.....March 18th.
Rev. Caleb Davis Bradlee, Brookline, Mass.....May 1st.
Frederick Dawson Stone, Philadelphia, Pa.....August 12th.

Life Members:

George O. Robertson, St. Paul.....April 15th.
Gen. Richard W. Johnson, St. Paul.....April 21st.
Hon. Luther Z. Rogers, Waterville, Minn.....April 27th.
Hon. John F. Meagher, Mankato, Minn.....June 18th.
Hon. Dorilus Morrison, Minneapolis.....June 26th.
Hon. Samuel J. R. McMillan, St. Paul.....October 3rd.

1898.

Corresponding Members:

Levi Atwood, Chatham, Mass. September 3rd.
 Edward Gay Mason, Chicago, Ill. December 18th.

Life Members:

Henry M. Smyth, St. Paul. January 25th.
 Hon. Charles E. Vanderburgh, Minneapolis. March 3rd.
 George W. Sweet, Havre, Montana. March 14th.
 John B. Brisbin, St. Paul. March 22d.
 Isaac Staples, Stillwater, Minn. June 27th.
 Charles L. Willis, St. Paul. June 29th.

RESOURCES AND EXPENDITURES.

The annual appropriation from the state is \$6,000, available within the fiscal year of the state accounts, ending July 31st. The expenditures of the society have been as follows:

	1897.	1898.
Purchase of books.	\$1,089.39	\$1,301.70
Binding and printing.	739.09	1,162.66
Express and freight.	78.65	99.45
Postage.	119.61	146.60
Insurance.	6.27	394.92
Cases and shelving.	137.05	65.15
Miscellaneous.	83.45	170.67
Service.	3,232.38	3,586.22
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	\$5,485.89	\$6,927.37

LOOKING FORWARD.

The society acts as the servant of the State in gathering its very extensive and valuable library, which stands in the front rank among the great historical libraries of the United States. It is in the state capitol building, and is a free reference library, open daily to the public from 8:30 a. m. to 5 p. m. In view of the remarkable growth of our State in population and wealth, its educational institutions, with which this society in its service of the public through its library, museum, and publications, is to be classed, deserve proportional increase of their support, that Minnesota shall continue to hold its position among the foremost states in providing for the diffusion of useful knowledge among its citizens.

In asking for additional means to prosecute its work in the collection and preservation of Minnesota history, and in the building up of the library, which is to have much larger space in the new capitol, our society can look with friendly emulation on the prosperity and great usefulness of the Wisconsin Historical Society, for whose work, chiefly in the support of its library, that state grants at present about \$13,000 yearly in appropriations and other state aid, or more than twice the amount appropriated by Minnesota for our society. In addition to the annual appropriations, the state of Wisconsin is erecting, for the use of its Historical Society, a fire-proof building at a cost of about \$400,000, four stories in height, with capacity for 550,000 volumes; and when the society shall remove, as is expected about a year hence, into the new building, its yearly appropriations from the state will be considerably increased. The secretary, librarian, several assistants, and two cataloguers constitute the working force of the Wisconsin Historical Society Library; and its present number of titles is about 200,000, nearly equally divided as bound books and pamphlets.

The state of Minnesota has just cause for pride in the work already achieved by our Historical Society, and for the future it may well pattern to some extent after the adjoining state with which this comparison has been made. One of the special needs of our library is an additional assistant for cataloguing the many pamphlets which are received mostly by donations, and for analyzing a larger part of the books than is now possible, so that their separate papers, subjects, and authors may be listed in the card catalogue. There is also an urgent need of more ample funds for the increase of the library by purchases.

Our society, like that of Wisconsin, dates its beginning fifty years ago. November 15th of the present year will be the fiftieth anniversary of this society's organization, and its fitting celebration is being planned. We anticipate that this jubilee year will bring important historical studies and addresses, which will duly appear in the published Collections of the society. Its officers look forward to the second half century in confidence that the society shall advance with continually widening usefulness.

Record Commission
Young Men's Christian Union
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me.
Brooklyn, N. Y., Public Library
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, New York City
Horn Mower College, Bryn Mawr, Pa.
Buffalo, N. Y., Historical Assoc.
Bunker Hill Monument Association, Boston, Mass.

DONORS.

LIST OF DONORS TO THE LIBRARY DURING 1897 AND 1898.

SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTIONS.

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Alabama Geological Survey, University, Ala.....	1	16
American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.....	22	410
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Salem, Mass	2	5
American Bankers' Association, New York City.....	2	2
American Bar Association, Baltimore, Md.....	1	
American Historical Association, Washington, D. C.....	1	
American Institute of Architects, Providence, R. I.....		8
American Institute of Mining Engineers, New York City.....		1
American Instructors of the Deaf, Washington, D. C.....		1
American Museum of Natural History, New York City.....		4
Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.....		2
Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co., Boston, Mass.....	1	
Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, Mass.....		2
Argentina Scientific Society, Buenos Ayres.....		1
Arkansas Department of State, Little Rock, Ark.....	6	18
Association of American Cemetery Superintendents.....		8
Association of Railway Superintendents.....		6
Baltimore (Md.) Chamber of Commerce.....		2
Beverly, Mass., by City Clerk.....		3
Beverly, Mass., Historical Society.....		1
Boston, Mass., Associated Charities.....		2
City Hospital	1	
Commission of Parks.....		2
Public Library		10
Record Commission		3
Young Men's Christian Union.....	1	
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me.....	5	43
Brooklyn, N. Y., Public Library.....		1
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, New York City.....		2
Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, Pa.....		3
Buffalo, N. Y., Historical Society.....		4
Bunker Hill Monument Association, Boston, Mass.....	1	1

Bound Pam-
Books. phlets.

California, Historical Society of Southern, Los Angeles, Cal.		1
Cambridge, Mass., by E. J. Brandon, City Clerk.....	1	
Camden Society, London, Eng.....	1	
Canadian Government Departments, Ottawa, Can.:		
Department of Agriculture.....	2	64
Department of Archives.....	11	1
Department of Inland Revenue.....		46
Geological Survey	3	4
Patent Office		13
Carleton College, Northfield, Minn.....		2
Case Memorial Library, Hartford, Conn.....		16
Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America.....		5
Catholic Young Men's National Union.....		2
Charleston, S. C., by J. Adger Smyth, Mayor.....	9	
Chicago, Ill., Academy of Sciences.....		2
Board of Trade.....	2	
Civil Service Commission.....	1	1
Historical Society		3
Theological Seminary		1
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co.....		4
Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway Co.....		1
Cincinnati, Ohio, Public Library.....		1
Colby University, Waterville, Me.....		2
Colorado Historical Society, Denver, Col.....		1
Columbia University, New York City.....	2	28
Commercial Law League of America.....		1
Congregational Library, Boston, Mass.....	15	12
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Conn.....		3
Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station, Ithaca, N. Y.	7	104
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H.....		16
Davenport, Iowa, Academy of Sciences.....		1
Denison Memorial Committee, Ipswich, Mass.....		1
Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.....		2
Duluth, Minn., News Tribune.....		1
Eliot, Maine, Historical Society.....		3
Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.....		1
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill.....		23
Fillmore County Agricultural Society, Preston, Minn.....		1
First Presbyterian Church, St. Paul.....	1	
Fitchburg, Mass., by Walter A. Davis, City Clerk.....	1	
Fitchburg, Mass., Historical Society.....	1	
Georgia Geological Survey, Atlanta, Ga.....		7
Girard College Library, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	
Harleian Society, London, Eng.....		1
Hartford, Conn., Theological Seminary.....		1
Harvard Medical Alumni Association.....		3
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.....	1	1
Harvard University Library, Cambridge, Mass.....		1
Helena, Montana, Public Library.....		2

	Bound Books.	Pam- phlets.
Holland Society, New York City.....	4	
Illinois Department of State, Springfield, Ill.....	84	111
Illinois Press Association.....		1
Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Sovereign Grand Lodge, Baltimore, Md.....		7
Indiana Geological Survey, Indianapolis.....	1	
Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis.....		1
Iowa Department of State, Des Moines.....	1	
Geological Survey, Des Moines.....	2	
Historical Department, Des Moines.....	4	1
Masonic Library, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....		3
State Historical Society, Iowa City.....		2
Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Kan.....	69	214
La Crosse, Wis., Board of Trade.....		5
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.....		3
Lake Mohonk Conference, Mohonk Lake, N. Y.....		9
Leland Stanford, Jr., University, Palo Alto, Cal.....		1
Long Island Historical Society, Brooklyn, N. Y.....		2
Los Angeles, Cal., Public Library.....		3
Los Angeles Times.....		1
McCormick Harvesting Machine Co., Chicago.....	1	
McGill University, Montreal, Canada.....		1
Maine Forest Commission, Augusta, Me.....	1	
Maine Genealogical Society, Portland, Me.....		1
Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society, Winnipeg, Man.....		7
Mankato, Minn., Review.....		2
Maryland Geological Survey, Baltimore, Md.....	1	
Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore, Md.....		4
Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, Mass.....		1
Department of State.....	8	
General Hospital, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Historical Society, Boston.....	1	1
Horticultural Society, Boston.....		4
Institute of Technology, Boston.....		9
Medical Society, Boston.....		3
Medford, Mass., Historical Society.....		5
Mercantile Library, New York City.....		2
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<p>HON. MOSES K. ARMSTRONG, St. James.</p> <p>GEN. JAMES H. BAKER, Man- kato.</p> <p>HON. JACOB V. BROWER, St. Paul.</p> <p>HON. JOHN R. CAREY, Duluth.</p> <p>JOSIAH B. CHANEY, St. Paul.</p> <p>GEN. HENRY W. CHILDS, St. Paul.</p> <p>HON. GREENLEAF CLARK, St. Paul.</p> <p>GEORGE H. DAGGETT, Minne- apolis.</p> <p>HON. WILLIAM H. DUNWOODY, Minneapolis.</p> <p>MAJOR JOHN ESPY, St. Paul.</p> <p>HENRY S. FAIRCHILD, St. Paul.</p> <p>HON. CHARLES E. FLANDRAU, St. Paul.</p> <p>JAMES J. HILL, St. Paul.</p> <p>NATHANIEL P. LANGFORD, St. Paul.</p> <p>GEN. WILLIAM G. LE DUC, Hastings.</p>	<p>DAVID L. KINGSBURY, St. Paul.</p> <p>HON. WILLIAM E. LEE, Long Prairie.</p> <p>WILLIAM H. LIGHTNER, St. Paul.</p> <p>HON. JOHN D. LUDDEN, St. Paul.</p> <p>DR. GEORGE R. METCALF, St. Paul.</p> <p>REV. EDWARD C. MITCHELL, St. Paul.</p> <p>CHARLES P. NOYES, St. Paul.</p> <p>HON. ALEXANDER RAMSEY, St. Paul.</p> <p>GEN. JOHN B. SANBORN, St. Paul.</p> <p>HON. CHANNING SEABURY, St. Paul.</p> <p>JOHN A. STEES, St. Paul.</p> <p>HON. HIRAM F. STEVENS, St. Paul.</p> <p>HENRY P. UPHAM, St. Paul.</p> <p>WARREN UPHAM, St. Paul.</p> <p>PROF. NEWTON H. WINCHELL, Minneapolis.</p>
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REPORT
STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE EXECUTIVE
COUNCIL, 1903-1906.

Organization.—C. E. Flandrau, J. R. Carey, C. Seabury, W. H. Dunwoody.

Permanent Building.—W. G. Le Due, J. J. Hill, D. L. Kingsbury, M. K. Armstrong, H. F. Stevens.

Finance.—H. P. Upham, J. D. Ludden, C. Seabury, W. E. Lee.

Library.—H. P. Upham, J. Espy, N. P. Langford, G. H. Daggett, W. H. Lightner.

Publications.—N. P. Langford, J. H. Baker, E. C. Mitchell, J. B. Chaney.

Property.—H. S. Fairchild, D. L. Kingsbury, G. Clark, H. F. Stevens.

Obituaries.—J. D. Ludden, C. E. Flandrau, J. A. Stees, J. H. Baker.

Lectures.—J. B. Sanborn, W. H. Lightner, H. S. Fairchild, C. P. Noyes, J. Espy.

Endowment Fund.—H. W. Childs, W. E. Lee, N. H. Winchell, C. Seabury, C. P. Noyes.

General Business.—G. H. Daggett, W. G. Le Due, G. R. Metcalf, H. W. Childs.

Membership.—G. Clark, J. B. Sanborn, W. H. Dunwoody, J. V. Brower.

Museum.—J. V. Brower, E. C. Mitchell, J. B. Chaney, N. H. Winchell.

The secretary of the society is *ex officio* a member of all standing committees.

On the date of the tenth biennial report, January 1, 1884, there were on our shelves 70,238 bound and 70,238 unbound volumes, total, 140,476 volumes. During the four years since the last report, the additions to the library have been as follows:

REPORT.

Bound volumes,

Unbound volumes,

The Minnesota Historical Society, in presenting to the legislature its twelfth biennial report, may be pardoned for a reasonable pride in its present prosperous condition, conscious that it has fulfilled the trust imposed upon it by the people of the state.

During the four years since the last published report, the patronage and membership of the society have much increased. The growth of the library, portrait collection, and museum, will be shown by the detailed statements.

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the territory, and was incorporated by an act of the First Territorial legislature, approved October 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the territory. Its library, consisting then of only a few volumes, was the first established in Minnesota. The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said Society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and all other things pertaining to the social, political, and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science, and literature."

The work of this society therefore comprises:

- (1) The collection, preservation, and publication of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.
- (2) The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the local and general history of Minnesota, of the United States and the world, and on all other valuable departments of knowledge.
- (3) The diffusion, among the citizens of the state, of useful knowledge.

INCREASE AND PRESENT CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

On the date of the tenth biennial report, January 1, 1899, there were on our shelves 30,238 bound and 32,208 unbound volumes; total, 62,446 volumes. During the subsequent four years, the additions to the library have been as follows:

	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.
Bound volumes.....	1,432	2,190	2,247	2,121
Unbound volumes.....	199	485	736	470

At the beginning of this year 1903, the library had 38,228 bound and 34,098 unbound volumes, amounting together to 72,326 volumes. The ratio of average annual increase is about 4 per cent.

All the accessions have been catalogued, with reference to the names of authors and to the places and subjects treated, requiring the writing of 2,243 library cards in the year 1899; 4,436 in 1900; 4,459 in 1901; and 5,831 in 1902. The total number of cards in our library catalogue at the beginning of this year was 83,387. The cataloguing has been done in a very careful manner by Mr. D. L. Kingsbury, assistant librarian, with the aid of Miss Annie E. Vose; and besides they have mainly supplied the books inquired for by users of the library.

In the foregoing records of growth the newspaper department was included. It should also be considered separately, for as a repository of our state history it is certainly the most important and valuable part of the library. These thousands of newspaper volumes are a priceless treasury of materials for future local historians of Minnesota, and of her counties, cities, and towns, from their beginning to the present time.

Twenty-five years ago, the number of bound newspaper volumes in the library was reported as over 600, the number from this state being 480. Ten years ago, the total number had increased to 2,353 volumes; and the library was then receiving regularly about 300 newspapers. During the ensuing ten years, the accessions of bound newspaper volumes have numbered 3,066, or an average exceeding 300 volumes yearly. In the year 1901 the number of newspaper volumes bound and added to the library was 443, and in 1902 the number was 460. The yearly increase of this department is thus about a twelfth part of the total present number, which on January 1, 1903, was 5,419.

The number of Minnesota newspapers, daily, weekly, and monthly, regularly received, is now 454, and 28 others are received from outside of this state, making the entire number 482. All the Minnesota papers are donated by the editors and publishers, who appreciate the importance of having them placed where they will be preserved for all coming time. The newspaper collection is kept in an extensive fireproof vault, which is a part of the society's rooms in the capitol. It is accessible to all who wish to consult it, and is so arranged that any paper of any date can be readily found. This department, receiving on an average more than a hundred newspaper issues every working day, is under the very efficient care of Mr. J. B. Chaney, assistant librarian, with Miss Lila W. Espy as assistant.

The Minnesota department of the general library, including books relating particularly to this state, is contained in five large cases. It comprises the journals of the legislature, and the laws enacted; reports of the supreme court; messages and reports of executive officers and departments of the state government; reports of the state university, normal schools, and institutions of correction and charity; catalogues of our colleges and academies; reports of the state geological survey; of county, city, and town officers, boards of trade, railway and other corporations; state, county, city and town histories, atlases, and business directories; the published proceedings and records of the numerous religious, charitable, and social organizations; and many historical, descriptive, biographical, and statistical works, beginning with the narratives of the earliest explorers of the area of Minnesota. This collection numbers 1,271 bound books, and about 1,500 pamphlets.

Many deficiencies of series of these local publications in our state, and also of such series from other states, have been filled within the past year, largely through correspondence by Miss Espy, who has written for this purpose about 400 letters.

Two departments to which constant attention for their increase has been given during many years, and in which this library is scarcely surpassed by any other in the United States, are local history and American genealogy.

Of township and strictly local histories (but not including county and state histories, biographies, and publications of societies), the number of bound volumes in the library at the beginning of this year is, for Maine, 110; New Hampshire, 138; Vermont, 42; Massachusetts, 638; Rhode Island, 55; and Connecticut, 139; with considerable numbers for New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania,

and all the states, so far as these special histories have been published. During the past five years our number of town histories of New England has increased from about 730 to 1,122, the gain being 53 per cent of the former number.

Of American family histories, or genealogies, our library now has 1,402 bound volumes and 675 pamphlets, besides many books in this class published by societies, others giving genealogies of many families collectively, and the genealogical portion of township histories. These collections, free (like all the library) for the use of readers and students, are much consulted for tracing lines of ancestry. Their increase within five years has amounted to 400 books and 275 pamphlets, or, in the aggregate, 48 per cent of the number counted early in the year 1898.

Another department which is much consulted is the complete series of reports of the United States patent office, which fills seven cases. All the publications of our national government are received gratuitously, this being a designated depository library. About a sixth part of the entire library consists of these national reports and public documents, which are of the very highest importance and usefulness.

HISTORICAL SCRAP-BOOKS.

Twenty-one quarto scrap-books, each of 160 pages, well indexed, have been filled during the past twenty-five years by the secretaries and assistants of this society. Within the last five years increased attention has been given to this work, which is now being carried forward at the rate of about three books yearly.

Eight additional volumes are now being filled, receiving as many special classes of newspaper items and articles, with their accompanying illustrations. The general subjects thus separately classed for more convenient reference are: 1, This society, its meetings, papers read, donations, etc.; 2, The City of St. Paul; 3, Minneapolis; 4, Minnesota, outside the Twin Cities; 5, Other states, and especially the adjoining states of the Northwest; 6, Obituary biographies, chiefly of Minnesota people; 7, The Civil War, reunions of former soldiers, the Grand Army, and the Loyal Legion; and 8, The Louisiana Purchase, and its Centennial Exposition.

These scrap-books present a great amount of historical and biographical information, pertaining mostly to Minnesota, which could not otherwise be so conveniently obtainable. It should be

added that the files of our state newspapers donated to the library by the editors and publishers are never used for clipping to make these books; but that extra copies of all papers required for this use are purchased.

THE PORTRAIT COLLECTION.

The number of individual portraits displayed in the rooms of the society is 196; besides thirty group pictures, which comprise about 1,300 portraits. Nearly all are of pioneers and founders of Minnesota, or of citizens who in more recent years have had a prominent part in the history and development of the state. There are also 113 other pictures, as of ancient buildings, monuments, paintings of historic scenes, etc., and 35 framed documents, including a letter of George Washington, written in 1754, which is in the case holding the Washington chair. This collection is the most interesting part of the society's possessions for visitors who have only a short time to spend in its rooms.

Several hundred additional portraits of Minnesota pioneers and leading citizens, mostly photographs of card and cabinet sizes, are preserved in the fireproof vault of the newspaper department. They are alphabetically catalogued, so that any of them can be conveniently found. To this collection of photographs about a thousand more are expected soon to be added, as a donation of the Minnesota Historical Company, being originals of portraits published by them a few months ago in their portrait book entitled "Men of Minnesota."

THE MUSEUM.

Little space is occupied by this society's museum, which, so far as it can now be exhibited, is contained in five cases. It comprises historical relics illustrative of the conditions of the pioneer settlement of Minnesota, of the Sioux War and the Civil War, of the people who built the thousands of prehistoric mounds in this state, and of their tribes, the Sioux and Ojibways, who were living here when the first white men reached this region.

It is expected that, when more space shall be provided for this library and museum, and for the display of portraits, in the new capitol building, all these collections will be greatly increased. This will be especially true of the museum in its department of archæology, for which Hon. J. V. Brower, a member of the society's council and chairman of its museum committee, has col-

lected, during the past seven years, a vast number of specimens, in total exceeding 60,000, of stone implements and weapons, flakes from their manufacture, bone and copper ornaments, pottery, etc., partly from the modern Indians and partly from the ancient mounds, throughout Minnesota and a large region reaching west to the Rocky mountains and south to Kansas.

Another member of the Council and of the same committee, Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, has announced his intention to deposit in this museum the greater part of his very valuable private collection, now at his home in St. Paul, including many thousand specimens of aboriginal implements, weapons, ornaments, and pottery. These munificent contributions from Councilors Brower and Mitchell will give to this museum a national importance surpassed by only very few other archaeological collections in this country.

DONATIONS.

During the past two years the society has received many donations from its members and friends, among whom Hon. Moses K. Armstrong, of St. James, Minn., a member of the Council, is foremost in his establishment of a fund for the benefit of the library, now amounting to \$2,000, from the sales of his recent book, "The Early Empire Builders of the Great West."

Abundant donations have also been received from the historical societies of other states, of Canada, England, and other countries; from other societies devoted to sciences and the arts; from schools, colleges, and universities; from public libraries and museums; from the geological surveys of several states, of the United States, and Canada; and from various departments of our national government.

As counted by Mr. Kingsbury, the record of donations during the last year includes 973 books, 2,570 pamphlets, 460 volumes of newspapers received unbound from the publishers, 88 bound volumes of newspapers of Ohio (1825 to 1882), 15 manuscripts, 9 broadsides, 9 atlases, 187 maps, 25 portraits and other framed pictures, 9 photographs, and 131 articles for the museum. Their total amounts to 4,476 gifts. Many of the books and pamphlets received in these donations are duplicates of what were already in the library; but such are valuable for exchange, whereby others new to our collection are obtained.

It should also be stated that many of the pamphlets received in such abundance as gifts are new additions, not duplicates, and

that they would be of much value if sufficient assistance could be employed for their cataloguing, without which they are not available to be consulted by readers. Probably 5,000 pamphlets are now stored away, to be classified, catalogued, and placed in the library for readers, whenever opportunity may permit. This work will probably wait until after the removal of the library to the new capitol.

RESEARCHES AND PUBLICATIONS.

Thus far the possessions of the society have been considered, and the functions of its corporeal life and growth. This great mass of very valuable property will be indeed an embarrassment of riches in its removal to the new quarters, expected to be done in the summer or autumn of 1904. Another part of the work of the Society, by its members in preparing papers and addresses for its meetings and its publications, and by the secretary and assistants in research concerning the history of Minnesota and the Northwest, may be properly termed the vital breath, the animating spirit, the soul, of all that the society has and is.

The last new volume of our Historical Collections, Volume IX., was published in April, 1901, having 694 pages, with 22 plates, largely portraits. It contains twenty-one miscellaneous papers, that had been read at the society's meetings, also the proceedings in the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the organization of the society, and biographies of thirty-three deceased members. Its index fills fourteen pages.

During the early part of last year, 1902, the society reprinted the first volume of its Collections, because only a few copies of the former edition remained. This reprint has 430 pages, with one plate, a portrait of Captain Jonathan Carver. As the new paging differs from the old, the work of indexing was about equal to that for a wholly new volume, and indeed the general care of proof reading was also nearly the same. In these duties, the secretary had the very efficient aid of Mrs. Rose Barteau Dunlap, as a general assistant in literary work.

The manuscripts for another new volume of Collections, to comprise the addresses and papers of the last two years, are ready for printing, which, it is hoped, will be done during the coming spring and summer. This Volume X. will contain probably 600 pages, with numerous plates of portraits and maps.

Three other volumes are planned to follow next in this series, namely, first, "Minnesota Biography," an alphabetic list of biographies of the pioneers and chief citizens of Minnesota as a territory and state during its first half century; second, "Minnesota Geographic Names," giving the origin, meaning, and date, so far as can be ascertained, of all our proper names, as of the state, its counties and townships, cities, villages, railway stations, post-offices, creeks, rivers and lakes, hills and mountains, and the streets and parks in cities; and, third, a History of this Society in its work for our state, its library and other collections, and its membership, with catalogues of the portrait collection and of the departments of local histories and genealogies, a bibliography of Minnesota state publications and of the history and literature of this state, and helpful information concerning other portions of the library and museum.

On the first and second of these proposed volumes a large amount of work has been done. The compilation of the "Minnesota Biography," chiefly done by Mrs. Dunlap, with reading of each sketch by the secretary before it is typewritten for the copy to be used in printing, has now been carried forward to the extent of about 9,000 biographies, probably more than a half of all to be given. They vary in length from two to ten lines. Each gives references at the end, by Arabic numerals, to the works from which it is derived, as former collections of biographies, our state and county histories, the legislative manuals, this society's publications, its scrap-books, other books and pamphlets, newspaper files, etc. Two hundred or more sources of information will be thus compiled into one alphabetic series, which gives very concisely the principal dates and facts about each person, with citation of all other works where more full details of the biography may be found. It is believed that this careful compilation of all important biographic sketches in our many state publications, supplemented at last by other biographies to be obtained by correspondence and personal interviews, will be of very great and permanent value for frequent reference by all classes of our people who care to acquaint themselves with our state history.

MEMBERSHIP.

According to the by-laws of the Executive Council, the due of annual membership is five dollars yearly, which in six years confers life membership, with no further dues; but an applicant may

become a life member at the beginning of membership by the payment of twenty-five dollars. Members receive the current publications of the society, are welcomed in the monthly council meetings, and are invited to write historical papers, especially on the local history of any part of Minnesota, for these meetings and for publication in the society's Historical Collections. Besides the annual and life members, who, when residing within this state, constitute the active membership, the society includes two other classes, namely, corresponding members and honorary members. A list of the present members in each of these classes, with their addresses, is given on later pages.

The society now has 17 honorary members, 77 corresponding members, 177 life members, and 49 annual members, the total being 320. The honorary and corresponding members represent nearly every state of the Union, Alaska, the provinces of Canada, England, and France. Nearly all of the life and annual members, together numbering 226, are residents of Minnesota, and they represent a large number of our counties. It is desired by the society that every county of the state shall be so represented in its membership.

NECROLOGY.

In the closing part of Volume IX. of the society's Historical Collections, published in April, 1901, are biographic sketches of its deceased members subsequent to the time of publication of the preceding volume, May, 1898. The following deaths of members have occurred during the past two years, since the latest record thus noticed:

1901.

Honorary Members:

John Fiske, Cambridge, Mass. July 4th.
 Bishop Henry Benjamin Whipple, Faribault,
 Minn. September 16th.

Corresponding Members:

Rev. Joseph Farrand Tuttle, Crawfordsville, Ind. June 8th.
 Hon. Theodore Sutton Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. . . June 28th.

Life Members:

Lathrop E. Reed, St. Paul.....	April 5th.
Hon. William H. Grant, St. Paul.....	August 8th.
Hon. John Sargent Pillsbury, Minneapolis.....	October 18th.
Frank H. Peavey, Minneapolis.....	December 30th.

1902.

Honorary Members:

Benjamin Franklin Stevens, London, England.....	March 5th.
Joseph Jackson Howard, Blackheath, Kent, Eng- land.....	April 18th.

Corresponding Members:

Dr. Douglas Brymner, Ottawa, Canada.....	June 19th.
Richard C. Burdick, St. Paul.....	October 13th.

Life Members:

Hon. Daniel Rohrer, Worthington, Minn.....	May 31st.
Hon. Henry L. Moss, St. Paul.....	July 20th.
Dr. Robert O. Sweeny, Duluth.....	September 6th.
Richard Marvin, St. Paul.....	December 17th.
Hon. Charles D. Gilfillan, St. Paul.....	December 18th.
Hon. Dwight May Sabin, Stillwater.....	December 23rd.

Annual Member:

Emerson William Peet, St. Paul.....	April 17th.
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1903.

Life Members:

Pennock Pusey, Wilmington, Del.....	February 16th.
John Summers, St. Paul.....	March 18th.

NOTE. Within the month between the writing and publication of this report, it has become our sad duty to record the death of Hon. Alexander Ramsey, at his home in St. Paul, April 22nd, 1903. He was born near Harrisburg, Pa., September 8th, 1815; was a member of Congress from Pennsylvania, 1843-47; was the first territorial governor of Minnesota, 1849-53; governor of this state, 1860-63; United States senator, 1863-75; and secretary of war, 1879-81. He was the first president of this society, 1849-63, and again from 1891 until his death.

RESOURCES AND EXPENDITURES.

The annual appropriations from the state are \$11,000, available within the fiscal year of the state accounts, ending July 31st. The expenditures of the society have been as follows:

	1901.	1902.
Purchase of books.....	\$2,469.93	\$1,971.78
Binding and printing....	2,237.19	918.03
Express and freight.....	106.48	117.66
Postage	106.96	93.00
Insurance	432.57	376.70
Shelving	25.20	58.90
Rent		120.00
Miscellaneous	258.63	242.39
Archæological field work.	1,200.00	1,800.00
Services	4,328.47	5,111.13
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	\$11,165.43	\$10,869.59

LOOKING FORWARD.

The society acts as the servant of the people of the state in gathering its very extensive and valuable library, which stands in the front rank among the great historical libraries of the United States. It is in the state capitol building, and is a free reference library, open daily to the public from 8:30 a. m. to 5 p. m. In view of the remarkable growth of our state in population and wealth, its educational institutions, with which this society, in its service of the public through its library, museum, portrait collection, and publications, is to be classed, deserve proportional increase of their support, that Minnesota shall continue to hold its proud position among the foremost states in providing for the diffusion of useful knowledge among its citizens.

In asking for additional means to prosecute its work in the collection and preservation of Minnesota history, and in the building up of the library, which is to have much larger space in the new capitol, our society can look with friendly emulation on the prosperity and great usefulness of the Wisconsin Historical Society, for whose work, chiefly in the support of its library, that state grants at present about \$30,000 yearly in appropriations and other state aid. In addition to the annual expenditures, the state of Wisconsin has erected, for the use of its Historical Society, a

fire proof building at a cost of about \$400,000, four stories in height, with capacity for 550,000 volumes.

The state of Minnesota has just cause for pride in the work already achieved by our Historical Society, and for the future it may well pattern to some extent after the adjoining state with which this comparison has been made. One of the special needs of our library is an additional assistant for cataloguing the many pamphlets which are received mostly by donations, and for analyzing a larger part of the books than is now possible, so that their separate papers, subjects, and authors may be listed in the card catalogue. There is also an urgent need of more ample funds for the increase of the library by purchases.

The removal to the new capitol, rearrangement of the library there, installation of the museum, and especially of its archaeological department, and the general increase of all the society's collections, will require much work and financial expenditure.

During the year and a half which must yet intervene before the removal, the society anticipates that its members and others will donate, but reserve at their homes, many portraits, historical pictures, and articles for the museum. These departments, which are of chief attraction and instructiveness to visitors, even with their present inadequate space, will then have ample exhibition in a fire proof building.

The library, and most notably its newspaper department, also greatly need the commodious rooms which are there designed for them. With this removal, it may be confidently predicted that this society, in all the branches of its work for our state history, will renew and increase its strength to perform more fully its high duties for the people of Minnesota.

CHARTER AND BY-LAWS OF THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

CHARTER.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA.

[Approved October 20, 1849.]

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

That C. K. Smith, David Olmsted, H. H. Sibley, Aaron Goodrich, David Cooper, B. B. Meeker, A. M. Mitchell, T. R. Potts, J. C. Ramsey, H. M. Rice, F. Steele, Charles W. Borup, D. B. Loomis, M. S. Wilkinson, L. A. Babcock, Henry Jackson, W. D. Phillips, Wm. H. Forbes, Martin McLeod, and their associates, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, by the name and style of the "Minnesota Historical Society," and by that name, they and their successors shall be, and they are hereby made capable in law, to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend, answer and be answered in any court of record or elsewhere, and to hold any estate, real, personal, or mixed, and the same to grant, sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise dispose of for the benefit of said Society, and to receive donations to be applied as the donor may direct, and to devise and keep a common seal; and to make and enforce any by-laws not contrary to the constitution and laws of the United States or this Territory; and to enjoy all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation, and that the property which the Society may be allowed to hold shall not exceed five thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That any five members may, at any meeting of said Society, constitute a quorum to do business, and shall, within one year, from and after the passage of this act, organize, and, under such regulations as they may adopt, elect a President, two Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, who shall record the proceedings, do the correspondence, and file all communications he may receive touching the object of the Society; which said officers shall hold their offices respectively until their successors are elected, which may take place every three years. The regular meetings of said Society shall take place on the second Monday succeeding the annual meeting of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, at the seat of government; and the object of said Society shall be the collection and preservation of a Library, Mineralogical and Geological specimens, Indian curiosities, and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate the history and settlement of said Territory.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED, "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA."

[Approved March 1, 1856.]

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That in addition to the privileges and immunities granted, and duties assigned to the Minnesota Historical Society by the act approved October 20, 1849, the said Society shall be allowed to receive by bequest, donation, or purchase, any amount of property, real or personal, and shall hold the same in perpetuity, as a sacred trust for the uses and purposes of said Society, without in any manner mortgaging or by debts incumbering such property now in possession, or thereafter to be acquired; nor shall any such property be liable, in any manner or form whatever, for any debt contracted by said Society; and the real property now vested in the Society, in the City of St. Paul, and the building hereafter to be located thereon, as a Hall for the same, and the personal property of the Society shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 2. As soon as convenient after the passage of this act, the Society shall elect an Executive Council, consisting of not more than twenty-five members of the Society, who shall hold their office for the term of three years, and until their successors are elected, which election shall thereafter take place triennially. The Executive Council shall elect and appoint all officers and such agents and collaborators of the Society, resident and non-resident, as they may deem necessary or useful, and the Executive Council shall have the custody of all the property, real and personal, of the Society, and shall frame such by-laws and constitution for their government as they may deem expedient, and do all other things not inconsistent with this act, essential to the prosperity of the Society.

SEC. 3. The objects of said Society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and all other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof, a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science, and literature.

SEC. 4. That all acts and parts of acts, so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER XV., SESSION LAWS OF 1856, IN RELATION TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

[Approved Feb. 19, 1875.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That chapter XV. of the Session Laws of 1856, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Historical Society of Minnesota,'" be and is hereby amended so as to increase the number of members composing the Executive Council, to thirty.

SEC. 2. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Auditor, and Treasurer of State, and the Attorney General, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Executive Council.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AS A FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

[Approved March 5, 1869.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That for the better support and more enlarged usefulness of the Minnesota Historical Society, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two thousand dollars, which shall be paid to, and expended by, the Executive Council of said Society, in such manner as they may deem will best promote its objects and aid its purposes; and said Executive Council shall, at the close of the year, report to the Governor the manner in which such money has been expended, and the vouchers therefor.

SEC. 2. And in consideration of such sum, the said Society shall cause their library to be kept open for the free use of the public, during the usual business hours about the Capitol, under such restrictions relative to the consultation of books, and the taking of extracts therefrom, as the Executive Council may direct.

EXTRACT FROM ARTICLE XV., SECTION 1, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

[Adopted October 13, 1857.]

In the event of the seat of government being removed from the City of St. Paul to any other place in the State, the Capitol building and grounds shall be dedicated to an institution for the promotion of science, literature, and the arts, to be organized by the Legislature of the State, and of which institution the Minnesota Historical Society shall always be a department.

BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

ADOPTED MARCH 18, 1879.

1. The annual meetings of the Society shall be held at the rooms of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, on the second Monday succeeding the assembling of the Legislature, in years when a session is held, and in other years on the second Monday of January. Due notice of the meetings shall be given by the Secretary, by a publication of the same in at least two papers of the State.

2. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn to a time certain.

3. All active members in good standing shall have the right to participate in the business of the annual or other meetings of the Society.

4. The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Call to order by the President.
2. Reading of minutes of last annual or any special meeting.
3. Reports of officers.
4. Election of Executive Council (at triennial meetings).
5. Addresses, lectures, or papers read.
6. Any other business properly coming before the Society.

5. Special meetings of the Society, for any purpose, may be called by the President, at the request of five members.

6. Any life member may be nominated for membership in the Executive Council. All voting for members of the Council shall be by ballot. All nominations made to the Secretary previous to the triennial meeting, shall be by him printed on a slip for the use of members in balloting, and members can vote only when present in person. All the members nominated may be voted for on one ballot, and a majority of all votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

ORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENTS FOR STUDY AND INVESTIGATION.

7. To promote the usefulness of this Society, by encouraging the acquisition and diffusion of knowledge among its members and the people of Minnesota generally, departments may be organized as follows:

Any three or larger number of members of the Society may organize any department now or hereafter designated, and select their own chairman and hold their meetings in the council room of the Society, at such times as it shall not be pre-engaged by the Executive Council or any other department. The departments to be so organized at this time shall be known and designated as follows:

Department of Annals and General History of Minnesota.

- " Geology of Minnesota.
- " Zoölogy of Minnesota.
- " Botany of Minnesota.
- " Meteorology of Minnesota.
- " Northwestern Geography and Cartology.
- " American History.
- " European History.
- " Oriental History.
- " Genealogy and Heraldry.
- " Ethnology and Anthropology.

8. Any branch of the departments may be constituted a section, and any section or group of sections may be constituted a department, on the approval of the Executive Council. Each department or section shall have power to establish any rules and regulations for its government that are not inconsistent with the charter or by-laws of this Society.

9. Additional departments may be organized in like manner as the foregoing, whenever approved by the Executive Council. Whenever the Exec-

utive Council shall refer any question or subject to any department or section, its members shall investigate the same without unnecessary delay, and report thereon to the Executive Council.

10. When any persons shall become annual members of the Society, and shall pay their fees, with the declared purpose of becoming members of a department, the fees and dues by them paid may be expended by such department, for any books and periodicals desired for its use. And the members of said department may withdraw the books so purchased from the rooms of the Library, under the rules and regulations adopted by them, when the same shall have been approved by the Executive Council; provided, that all books so purchased shall be the property of the Society.

BY-LAWS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

OBJECTS, POWERS AND DUTIES.

1. The objects, powers and duties of this Society are defined in its charter. Among its objects are the following: To collect, arrange, and preserve, a Library of Books, Pamphlets, Maps, Manuscripts, Prints, Papers, or Paintings; a cabinet of Minerals and Archaeological curiosities, and other materials illustrative of the Civil, Religious, Literary, and Natural History of the State; to rescue from oblivion the memory of its early pioneers, and to obtain and preserve narratives of their exploits, perils and hardy adventures; to exhibit faithfully the antiquities, the past and present condition, and resources of Minnesota; and it may take steps to promote the study of history by lectures and other means, and to publish and diffuse information relative to the description and history of the State.

MEMBERS.

2. The Society shall be composed of Active, Corresponding and Honorary Members.

3. Active Membership comprises such annual and life members as have been, or shall hereafter be, elected, and reside within this State.

4. Corresponding Members shall be persons residing elsewhere, who feel an interest in the Society and its objects, and are willing to aid it by representing it in their vicinity, and procuring donations for its Library and Cabinet.

5. Honorary Members shall consist of persons distinguished for their literary or scientific attainments, particularly in the department of American History.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

6. No person shall be elected to membership unless proposed at a regular meeting of the Executive Council, and his admission moved by two members of the Society. If any member demand a ballot, the same shall be taken, and five negative votes shall exclude the person proposed.

7. Annual dues shall be five dollars per annum; any member who shall pay annual dues for six successive years, shall then be entitled to a life membership; but any person, by paying the sum of twenty-five dollars at one time, in advance, may be elected a life member, and shall thereafter be free from the payment of annual dues.

8. Should any annual member fail to pay the annual dues for three months, his name shall be erased from the roll of members, and not be replaced until all arrearages of dues are paid.

GOVERNMENT.

9. The government of the Society shall be vested in an Executive Council (as provided by the charter and its amendments), composed of the *ex-officio* members, and thirty life members, to be chosen by ballot every three years at an annual meeting of the Society; due notice of said meeting to be given in at least two papers of the State.

10. The Executive Council shall have the control and regulation of the affairs of the Society, and shall make collections and disbursements of its funds, and shall take all needful measures for its success and proper management.

11. The Executive Council shall fill vacancies in their own number or among the officers of the Society (caused by death, removal from the State, resignation, or any other cause), and may, in its discretion, declare the place of any member of the Council vacant, who shall be absent three successive meetings thereof without sending a reasonable excuse therefor to the Secretary.

OFFICERS.

12. The officers of the Executive Council shall be the officers of the Society, and shall be as follows:

A President;

A First Vice President;

A Second Vice President;

A Secretary; and

A Treasurer;

who shall be elected by a majority of actual and individual ballots, at the first meeting of the Executive Council after the triennial meetings of the Society, and shall serve for the term of three years and until their successors are chosen; and no *viva voce* nominations shall be made in the Executive Council for the election of officers of the Council, or for filling vacancies of officers or members of the Council.

If any officer is absent from the monthly meetings of the Executive Council more than three successive meetings, unless detained by sickness, absence from the city, or any reasonable cause, his office may be declared vacant.

VACANCIES.

13. If a vacancy shall occur in any of the offices of the Society, or in the Executive Council, it shall be filled by a special election, at the next meeting of the Council, and the person so elected shall hold his office for the unexpired term of the person vacating the same.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER.

14. The President, or in his absence, one of the Vice Presidents, or in their absence, a Chairman *pro tempore*, shall preside at all meetings of the Society and the Executive Council, and shall have a casting vote. He shall preserve order, and decide all questions of order subject to an appeal. He shall also appoint all committees authorized by the Executive Council or by the Society, unless otherwise provided.

THE SECRETARY.

15. The Secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the Society, furnish diplomas to members, give due notice of the annual and monthly meetings, and attend to the correspondence of the Society, carefully preserving the originals of all letters received, laying the same before the Executive Council at its monthly meetings. He shall, on being advised of the death of any member, record it, with the time and place of death, and report the same at the next meeting. He shall be, *ex-officio*, a member of all the standing committees, and perform such other duties as the Council shall direct. He shall make a written report of the operations of the Society at the annual meetings. The Secretary shall also perform the duties of Librarian until otherwise directed by a vote of the Council.

THE TREASURER.

16. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Society, and disburse the same only on the order of the Executive Council, attested by the Secretary. He shall give bonds in such sum as may be required and approved by the Executive Council. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and payments, and report the same in full to the Society at its annual meetings, and to the Executive Council quarterly, or whenever so ordered.

THE LIBRARIAN.

17. The Librarian shall have charge of the Library and Cabinet, the care and arrangement of books, manuscripts, papers, maps, etc., belonging to the same. He shall properly preserve, arrange and keep them in good order. He shall cause to be prepared and kept, a proper catalogue of the same. He shall keep a book in which shall be recorded all donations to the Society of whatever nature, with the name of the donor and date of the same, and shall acknowledge the receipt thereof, and also carefully label such donations with the title of this Society, and name of the donor. He shall under no circumstances permit any book, manuscript, document, or anything belonging to the Society, to be removed from its rooms, except as provided for in section 10 of the by-laws of the Society. At each monthly meeting he shall report the donations received since the last meeting, and at the annual meeting shall make a full report of the condition and progress of the Library.

MEETINGS, QUORUM, ETC.

18. The regular meetings of the Executive Council shall be held on the second Monday of every month.

19. Ten members shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Council for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

20. The Standing Committees of the Executive Council shall be as follows:

1. A COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION, to whom shall be referred all questions pertaining to the charter and by-laws.

2. A COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT BUILDING, whose duty shall be to devise the best ways and means for securing a permanent building or hall, for the use of the Society.

3. A COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, who shall examine and report upon all claims against the Society, and also the reports and accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer.

4. A COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY, who shall, with the Secretary and Librarian, have the general superintendence of the Library, the purchase of books, exchange of publications, procuring of suitable furniture, etc.

5. A COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION, who shall examine all manuscripts presented to the Society, and select those suitable for publication, which they shall edit and supervise, if ordered to be printed by the Society.

6. A COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY, who shall have the care of the property of the Society, and other matters connected with its real estate.

7. A COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES, who shall be charged with the preparation of memoirs of deceased members of the Society, or the collection of materials for the same.

8. A COMMITTEE ON LECTURES, who shall arrange for such lectures or addresses before the Society as may be deemed advisable.

9. A COMMITTEE ON ENDOWMENT FUND, who shall be charged with ascertaining and carrying into effect the best plans for the increase of the Permanent Fund, and its profitable employment.

10. A COMMITTEE ON GENERAL BUSINESS, to which shall be referred all business not properly referable to either of the above committees.

11. A COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY, to which shall be referred all applications for such membership, before consideration thereof by the Executive Council.

12. A COMMITTEE ON THE MUSEUM, which, with the Secretary and Librarian, shall have charge of the Society's collections, other than portraits, manuscripts, maps, and printed matter.

21. All Committees, both standing and special, shall report on the subject referred to them, at the next succeeding meeting of the Executive Council, which report must be in writing and signed by the members of the Committee.

MEETINGS, ETC.

22. The President shall call a meeting of the Executive Council, whenever requested, in writing, by five members of the Society.

23. Members of the Society in good standing, shall have the privilege of attending the meetings of the Executive Council and participating in all the exercises, but are not entitled to vote.

24. All parliamentary questions shall be decided by the President, subject to appeal to the Council.

25. All motions or resolutions, regarding the business management or work of the Society, shall be referred to its appropriate committee before being acted on, unless otherwise ordered by a two-thirds vote of the Council.

26. All amendments made to these by-laws shall be proposed in writing at a regular meeting of the Executive Council, and shall (if seconded by three other members) lie over for action at least one month, and a copy of such proposed amendment shall in the meantime be sent to each councilor; and no such proposed amendment shall be adopted unless by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of those present, which vote shall not be less than ten in number.

27. All by-laws and rules for the government of this Society or its Council, not herein contained, are hereby abrogated.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- I. The chair taken by the presiding officer.
- II. Calling the Roll of Members.
- III. Minutes read.
- IV. Donations received since last meeting reported.
- V. Correspondence read.
- VI. Reports of Standing Committees.
- VII. Reports of Special Committees.
- VIII. Nomination and election of Members.
- IX. Lectures, papers and obituary addresses read.
- X. Unfinished business.
- XI. New business.

MEMBERSHIP.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

- Bancroft, Hubert Howe, Helix, California.
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 Haynes, Prof. Henry W., Boston, Mass.
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 Winslow, Rev. William Copley, Boston, Mass.

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 Barton, Edmund M., Librarian of the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.
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 Bell, Charles N., Winnipeg, Manitoba.
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 Brock, Robert A., Secretary of the Southern Historical Society, Richmond, Va.
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 Carleton, Hon. Hiram, Montpelier, Vt.
 Castle, Capt. Henry A., Washington, D. C.
 Chase, Arthur H., State Librarian, Concord, N. H.

- Chetlain, Gen. Augustus L., Chicago, Ill.
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- Owen, Thomas M., State Department of Archives and History, Montgomery, Ala.
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HISTORY OF THE OJIBWAY NATION, by WILLIAM W. WARREN (deceased); a valuable work, containing the legends and traditions of the Ojibways, their origin, history, customs, religion, daily life and habits, ideas, biographies of leading chieftains and orators, vivid descriptions of battles, etc. The work was carefully edited by Rev. Edward D. Neill, who added an appendix of 116 pages, giving an account of the Ojibways from official and other records. It also contains a portrait of Warren, a memoir of him by J. Fletcher Williams, and a copious index. Published in 1885. Pages, 535. Price, \$3.50.

VOLUME VI.

Published in three parts, in 1887, 1891, and 1894; comprising miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest; with eight portraits, and index. Pages, iv., 556. Price, \$2.50.

CONTENTS.

The Sources of the Mississippi, their Discoveries, Real and Pretended, by Hon. James H. Baker.

The Hennepin Bi-centenary: Celebration by the Minnesota Historical Society of the 200th Anniversary of the Discovery of the Falls of St. Anthony in 1680, by Father Louis Hennepin.

Early Days at Red River Settlement and Fort Snelling: Reminiscences of Mrs. Ann Adams.

Protestant Missions in the Northwest, by Rev. Stephen R. Riggs; with a Memoir of the author by J. F. Williams.

Autobiography of Major Lawrence Taliaferro, Indian Agent at Fort Snelling, 1820 to 1840.

Memoir of Gen. Henry Hastings Sibley, by J. Fletcher Williams.

Mounds in Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, by Alfred J. Hill.

Columbian Address, delivered by Hon. H. W. Childs, before the Minnesota Historical Society, Oct. 21, 1892.

Reminiscences of Fort Snelling, by Col. John H. Bliss.

Sioux Outbreak of 1862: Mrs. J. E. De Camp Sweet's Narrative of her Captivity.

A Sioux Story of the War: Chief Big Eagle's Story of the Sioux Outbreak of 1862.

Incidents of the threatened Outbreak of Hole-in-the-Day and other Ojibways at the time of the Sioux Massacre of 1862, by George W. Sweet.

Dakota Scalp Dances, by Rev. T. S. Williamson.

Earliest Schools in Minnesota Valley, by Rev. T. S. Williamson.

Traditions of Sioux Indians, by Major William H. Forbes.

Death of a Remarkable Man, Gabriel Franchere, by Hon. Benjamin P. Avery.

- First Settlement on the Red River of the North in 1812, and the Condition in 1847, by Mrs. Elizabeth T. Ayers.
- Frederick Ayer, Teacher and Missionary to the Ojibway Indians, 1820 to 1850.
- Captivity among the Sioux: the Story of Nancy McClure.
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- Autobiography and Reminiscences of Philander Prescott.
- Recollections of James M. Goodhue, by Col. John H. Stevens.
- Revolutionary Pension Roll. List of all the Soldiers and Sailors on the Pension Rolls of the United States Government in 1813.

VOLUME VII.

THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND ITS SOURCE: a Narrative and Critical History of the River and its Headwaters, accompanied by the Results of detailed Hydrographic and Topographic Surveys; illustrated with many maps, portraits, and views of scenery; by Hon. J. V. BROWER, Commissioner of the Itasca State Park, representing also the State Historical Society. With an appendix: How the Mississippi River and the Lake of the Woods became instrumental in the Establishment of the Northwestern Boundary of the United States, by Alfred J. Hill. Published in 1893. Pages xv., 360. Price, \$2.50.

VOLUME VIII.

Published in three parts, 1895, 1896, and 1898; miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest; with 28 plates (portraits, views, maps, etc.), and 7 figures in the text. Pages xii., 542. Price, \$2.50.

CONTENTS.

- The International Boundary between Lake Superior and the Lake of the Woods, by Ulysses Sherman Grant.
- The Settlement and Development of the Red River Valley, by Warren Upham.
- The Discovery and Development of the Iron Ores of Minnesota, by N. H. Winchell, state geologist.
- The Origin and Growth of the Minnesota Historical Society, by the President, Hon. Alex. Ramsey.
- Opening of the Red River of the North to Commerce and Civilization (with Plates II. and III.), by Capt. Russell Blakeley.
- Last Days of Wisconsin Territory and Early Days of Minnesota Territory, by Hon. Henry L. Moss.
- Lawyers and Courts of Minnesota prior to and during its Territorial Period, by Judge Charles E. Flandrau.
- Homes and Habitations of the Minnesota Historical Society, by Charles E. Mayo.
- The Historical Value of Newspapers, by J. B. Chaney.
- The United States Government Publications, by D. L. Kingsbury.
- The First Organized Government of Dakota, by Gov. Samuel J. Albright; with a Preface by Judge Charles E. Flandrau.
- How Minnesota became a State, by Prof. Thomas F. Moran.
- Minnesota's Northern Boundary, by Alexander N. Winchell.
- The Question of the Sources of the Mississippi River, by Prof. E. Levasseur. (Translation by Col. William P. Clough.)
- The Source of the Mississippi, by Prof. N. H. Winchell.
- Prehistoric Man at the Headwaters of the Mississippi River (Plates IV.-IX.), with an addendum relating to the early visits of Mr. Julius Chambers and Rev. J. A. Gillfillan to Itasca lake, by Hon. J. V. Brower.
- Charter Members of the Minnesota Historical Society and its Work in 1896, by the President, Hon. Alex. Ramsey.

History of Agriculture in Minnesota, by James J. Hill.
 History of Mining and Quarrying in Minnesota, by Warren Upham.
 History of the Discovery of the Mississippi and the Advent of Commerce in Minnesota (with Plates X.-XXI.), by Captain Russell Blakeley.
 Reminiscences of Persons and Events in the Early Days of the Minnesota Historical Society, by William H. Kelley.
 Fort Snelling from its Foundation to the Present Time [Plate XXII], by Gen. Richard W. Johnson.
 Sully's Expedition against the Sioux in 1864 [Plate XXIII], by Lieut. David L. Kingsbury.
 State-Building in the West [Plate XXIV], by Judge Charles E. Flandrau.
 Obituaries of Deceased Members of the Society, with Portraits [Plates XXV.-XXVIII.]

VOLUME IX.

Published in 1901; miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest; with 22 plates (portraits and maps). Pages, xiv, 694. Price, \$2.50.

CONTENTS.

History of Transportation in Minnesota, by Gen. James H. Baker.
 How we won the San Juan Archipelago [Plate I], by Gen. Edwin C. Mason.
 The Ojibways in Minnesota, by Rev. Joseph A. Gilfillan.
 Civilization and Christianization of the Ojibways in Minnesota, by Henry B. Whipple, Bishop of Minnesota.
 Biographic Notes of Old Settlers [Plate II], by Hon. Henry L. Moss.
 Early Trade and Traders in St. Paul, by Charles D. Elfelt.
 The Early Political History of Minnesota [Plate III], by Hon. Charles D. Gilfillan.
 Beginnings of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota, and the Early Missions of Park Place, St. Paul, by Bishop M. N. Gilbert.
 Reminiscences of Minnesota during the Territorial Period, by Hon. Charles E. Flandrau.
 Hennepin as Discoverer and Author, by Samuel M. Davis.
 History of Duluth, and of St. Louis County, to the Year 1870 [Plates IV and IVa], by Hon. John R. Carey.
 The Early Settlement and History of Redwood County, by Hon. Orlando B. Turrell.
 History of Lumbering in the St. Croix Valley, with Biographic Sketches [Plate V], by William H. C. Folsom.
 History of Pioneer Lumbering on the Upper Mississippi and its Tributaries, with Biographic Sketches [Plates VI-XII], by Daniel Stanchfield.
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 Some Legacies of the Ordinance of 1787, by Hon. James Oscar Pierce.
 The Dual Origin of Minnesota, by Samuel M. Davis.
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 Invocation, by Rev. Robert Forbes.
 Greeting by Hon. John Lind, Governor of Minnesota.
 Response, by the President, Hon. Alexander Ramsey.

- Organization and Growth of the Minnesota Historical Society, by Gen. William G. Le Duc.
- The Library, Museum, and Portrait Collection of the Minnesota Historical Society, by Nathaniel Pitt Langford.
- Recollections of Persons and Events in the History of Minnesota, by Bishop Henry B. Whipple.
- Progress of Minnesota during the Half Century, by Hon. Charles E. Flaudrau.
- Opening Address of the Evening Session, by Hon. John S. Pillsbury.
- Education in the United States and in Minnesota during the Past Fifty Years, by Cyrus Northrop, President of the State University.
- Progress of the United States during the Half Century, by Hon. Cushman K. Davis, United States Senator.
- Minnesota in the National Congress during these Fifty Years, by Gen. John B. Sanborn.
- The Work of the Minnesota Historical Society through Fifty Years in Preserving Minnesota History, and its Duty to the Future, by Col. William P. Clough.
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In 1888 the Society published a Catalogue of its Library, then containing 14,421 bound volumes and 13,593 pamphlets. This catalogue, which forms two octavo volumes (1,016 and 829 pages), is supplied to public libraries, high schools, colleges, and universities, on receiving request for it.

The Society publishes Biennial Reports to the State Legislature, which are sent free to anyone desiring them.

WARREN UPHAM, Secretary.

ST. PAUL, MINN., March 24, 1903.

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I have the honor to transmit the thirteenth biennial report of the Minnesota Historical Society, for the two years ending December 31, 1904.

Previous to this series of biennial reports, the society made annual reports to the annual sessions of the legislature; and its age is the same, beginning in 1840, with that of Minnesota as a Territory and as a State.

Very respectfully yours,

WARREN UPHAM,
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THE PRESIDENT, NOVEMBER, 1904.

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Permanent Building.—W. G. Le Duc, J. J. Hill, D. L. Kingsbury, M. K. Armstrong, J. D. O'Brien.

Finance.—H. P. Upham, J. D. Ludden, C. Seabury, W. E. Lee.

Library.—H. P. Upham, J. Espy, N. P. Langford, G. H. Daggett, W. H. Lightner.

Publications.—N. P. Langford, J. H. Baker, E. C. Mitchell, J. B. Chaney.

Property.—H. S. Fairchild, D. L. Kingsbury, L. F. Hubbard, E. H. Bailey.

Obituaries.—J. D. Ludden, H. W. Childs, J. A. Stees, J. H. Baker.

Lectures.—E. C. Mitchell, W. H. Lightner, H. S. Fairchild, C. P. Noyes, J. Espy.

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Museum.—J. V. Brower, E. C. Mitchell, J. B. Chaney, N. H. Winchell.

The secretary of the society is *ex-officio* a member of all standing committees.

REPORT.

The Minnesota Historical Society, in presenting to the legislature its thirteenth biennial report, may be pardoned for a reasonable pride in its present prosperous condition, conscious that it has fulfilled the trust imposed upon it by the people of the state.

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the territory, and was incorporated by an act of the First Territorial legislature, approved October 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the territory. Its library, consisting then of only a few volumes, was the first established in Minnesota. The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said Society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and all other things pertaining to the social, political, and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science, and literature."

The work of this society therefore comprises:

(1) The collection, preservation, and publication of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

(2) The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the local and general history of Minnesota, of the United States and the world, and on all other valuable departments of knowledge.

(3) The diffusion, among the citizens of the state, of useful knowledge.

Last autumn the fifty-fifth anniversary of the founding of this Society was passed; and it now comes to a new and better epoch, in its removal to the magnificent and fireproof new capitol.

INCREASE AND PRESENT CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

On the date of the twelfth biennial report, January 1, 1903, there were on our shelves 38,228 bound and 34,098 unbound volumes; total,

72,326 volumes. During the subsequent two years, the additions to the library have been as follows:

	1903.	1904.
Bound volumes.....	2,711	2,242
Unbound volumes.....	332	73

At the beginning of this year 1905, the library had 43,181 bound and 34,503 unbound volumes, amounting together to 77,684 volumes.

All the accessions have been catalogued, with reference to the names of authors and to the places and subjects treated, requiring the writing of 5,264 library cards in the year 1903, and 5,855 in 1904. The total number of cards in our library catalogue at the beginning of this year was 94,506. The cataloguing has been done in a very careful manner by Mr. D. L. Kingsbury, assistant librarian, with the aid of Miss Annie E. Vose; and besides they have mainly supplied the books inquired for by users of the library.

In the foregoing records of growth the newspaper department was included. It should also be considered separately, for as a repository of our state history it is certainly the most important and valuable part of the library. These thousands of newspaper volumes are a priceless treasury of materials for future local historians of Minnesota, and of her counties, cities, and towns, from their beginning to the present time.

In the year 1903 the number of newspaper volumes bound and added to the library was 578, and in 1904 the number was 529. The yearly increase of this department is thus about a twelfth part of the total present number, which on January 1, 1905, was 6,526.

The number of Minnesota newspapers, daily, weekly, and monthly, regularly received, is now 512, and 45 others are received from outside of this state, making the entire number 557. All the Minnesota papers are donated by the editors and publishers, who appreciate the importance of having them placed where they will be preserved for all coming time. The newspaper collection is accessible to all who wish to consult it, and is so arranged that any paper of any date can be readily found. This department, receiving on an average more than a hundred newspaper issues every working day, is under the very efficient care of Mr. J. B. Chaney, assistant librarian, with Mr. Harry M. McLean as assistant.

The Minnesota department of the general library, including books relating particularly to this state, is very extensive and of great interest to all our people. It comprises the journals of the legislature, and the laws enacted; reports of the supreme court; messages and reports of executive officers and departments of the state government; reports of

the state university, normal schools, and institutions of correction and charity; catalogues of our colleges and academies; reports of the state geological survey; of county, city, and town officers, boards of trade, railway and other corporations; state, county, city and town histories, atlases, and business directories; the published proceedings and records of the numerous religious, charitable, and social organizations; and many historical, descriptive, biographical, and statistical works, beginning with the narratives of the earliest explorers of the area of Minnesota. This collection numbers 1,461 bound books, and about 1,550 pamphlets.

Two other departments to which constant attention for their increase has been given during many years, and in which this library is scarcely surpassed by any other in the United States, are local history and American genealogy.

Of township and strictly local histories (but not including county and state histories, biographies, and publications of societies), the number of bound volumes in the library at the beginning of this year is, for Maine, 119; New Hampshire, 148; Vermont, 45; Massachusetts, 690; Rhode Island, 55; and Connecticut, 152; with considerable numbers for New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and all the states, so far as these special histories have been published. During the past seven years our number of town histories of New England has increased from about 730 to 1,209, the gain being 65 per cent of the former number.

Of American family histories, or genealogies, our library now has 1,579 bound volumes and 797 pamphlets, besides many books in this class published by societies, others giving genealogies of many families collectively, and the genealogical portion of township histories. These collections, free (like all the library) for the use of readers and students, are much consulted for tracing lines of ancestry. Their increase within seven years has amounted to 577 books and 397 pamphlets, or, in the aggregate, about 70 per cent of the number counted early in the year 1898.

Another department which is much consulted is the complete series of reports of the United States patent office. All the publications of our national government are received gratuitously, this being a designated depository library. About a sixth part of the entire library consists of these national reports and public documents, which are of the very highest importance and usefulness.

HISTORICAL SCRAP-BOOKS.

Twenty-nine quarto scrap-books, each of 160 pages, well indexed, have been filled during the past twenty-five years by the secretaries and

assistants of this society. Within the recent years increased attention has been given to this work, which is now being carried forward at the rate of three or four books yearly.

Eight additional volumes are now being filled, receiving as many special classes of newspaper items and articles, with their accompanying illustrations. The general subjects thus separately classed for more convenient reference are: 1, This society, its meetings, papers read, donations, etc.; 2, The City of St. Paul; 3, Minneapolis; 4, Minnesota, outside the Twin Cities; 5, Other states, and especially the adjoining states of the Northwest; 6, Obituary biographies, chiefly of Minnesota people; 7, The Civil War, reunions of former soldiers, the Grand Army, and the Loyal Legion; and 8, The Louisiana Purchase, its Centennial Exposition, held last year in St. Louis, and the Lewis and Clark Exposition, to be held this year in Portland, Oregon.

These scrap-books present a great amount of historical and biographical information, pertaining mostly to Minnesota, which could not otherwise be so conveniently obtainable. It should be added that the files of our state newspapers donated to the library by the editors and publishers are never used for clipping to make these books; but that extra copies of all papers required for this use are purchased.

THE PORTRAIT COLLECTION.

The number of individual portraits displayed in the rooms of the society is 241; besides thirty-two group pictures, which comprise about 1,300 portraits. Nearly all are of pioneers and founders of Minnesota, or of citizens who in later years have had a prominent part in the history and development of the state. There are also about 150 other pictures, as of ancient buildings, monuments, paintings of historic scenes, etc., and 40 framed documents, including a letter of George Washington, written in 1754, which is in the case holding the Washington chair. This collection is the most interesting part of the society's possessions for visitors who have only a short time to spend in its rooms.

About 1,000 additional portraits of Minnesota pioneers and leading citizens, mostly photographs of card and cabinet sizes, are owned by the society and are alphabetically catalogued, so that any of them can be conveniently found.

By donation from the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, this Society has recently received 29 large framed portraits and a group of 68 separate photographs framed together, all of which, on account of lack of space in our present rooms, are reserved to be displayed in the new capitol.

THE MUSEUM.

Little space has been occupied in the old capitol by this society's museum, which, so far as it can be there exhibited, is contained in five cases. These comprise many very interesting historical relics illustrative of the conditions of the pioneer settlement of Minnesota, of the Sioux War and the Civil War, of the people who built the thousands of prehistoric mounds in this state, and of their tribes, the Sioux and Ojibways, who were living here when the first white men reached this region.

It is expected that, with more space soon to be provided for this library and museum, and for the display of portraits, in the new capitol building, all these collections will be greatly increased. This will be especially true of the museum in its department of archæology, for which Hon. J. V. Brower, a member of the society's council and chairman of its museum committee, has collected, during the past ten years, a vast number of specimens, in total exceeding 100,000, of stone implements and weapons, flakes from their manufacture, bone and copper ornaments, pottery, etc., partly from the modern Indians and partly from the ancient mounds, throughout Minnesota and a large region reaching west to the Rocky mountains and south to Kansas.

Another member of the Council and of the same committee, Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, has generously announced that he will deposit in this museum the greater part of his very valuable private collection, now at his home in St. Paul, including many thousand specimens of aboriginal implements, weapons, ornaments, and pottery. These munificent contributions from Councilors Brower and Mitchell will give to this museum a national importance surpassed by only very few other archæological collections in this country.

DONATIONS.

The society has received many donations from its members and friends, among whom Hon. Moses K. Armstrong, of St. James, Minn., a member of the Council, was the first to establish a fund for the benefit of the library, now exceeding \$2,000, from the sales of his recent book, "The Early Empire Builders of the Great West."

Another library fund of \$1,000 has been received as a bequest from the late Gov. Alexander Ramsey, who for twenty-six years was the president of this society, from its organization in 1849 to 1863, and from 1891 until his death, April 22, 1903.

It is also announced that a third fund, amounting to \$1,000, was given to this society by its late president, Hon. Greenleaf Clark, by a bequest in his will.

Abundant donations have been received to the library from the historical societies of other states, of Canada, England, and other countries; from other societies devoted to sciences and the arts; from schools, colleges, and universities; from public libraries and museums; from the geological surveys of several states, of the United States, and Canada; and from various departments of our national government.

The record of donations during the last year includes 957 books, 2,317 pamphlets, 509 volumes of newspapers received unbound from the publishers, 12 manuscripts, 10 broadsides, 18 atlases, 395 maps, 49 portraits and other framed pictures, 109 photographs, and 30 articles for the museum. Their total amounts to 3,897 gifts. Many of the books and pamphlets received in these donations are duplicates of what were already in the library; but such are valuable for exchange, whereby others new to our collection are obtained.

It should be added that many of the pamphlets received in such abundance as gifts are new to this library, not duplicates, and that they would be of much value if sufficient assistance could be employed for their cataloguing, without which they are not available to be consulted by readers. Probably more than 5,000 pamphlets are now stored away, to be classified, catalogued, and placed in the library for readers, whenever opportunity may permit. This work will probably wait until after the removal of the library to the new capitol.

The society desires and is grateful for gifts of books, pamphlets, newspaper files, maps, manuscript narratives, diaries, and original documents of every sort which may throw light on the history of any portion of the United States, and particularly of Minnesota and the Northwest.

Especially it is desired to obtain all new publications of township or other local histories and of family genealogies. Many volumes in these departments have been received through donation. If they should not be so available, the secretary wishes to be informed when books and pamphlets of these classes are published, with note of their number of pages and scope and the price for purchase.

RESEARCHES AND PUBLICATIONS.

Thus far the possessions of the society have been considered, and the functions of its corporeal life and growth. This great mass of very valuable property will be indeed an embarrassment of riches in its re-

moval to the new quarters, expected to be done during the present spring. Another part of the work of the society, by its members in preparing papers and addresses for its meetings and its publications, and by the secretary and assistants in research concerning the history of Minnesota and the Northwest, may be properly termed the vital breath, the animating spirit, the soul, of all that the society has and is.

Two new volumes of our Historical Collections, the tenth and eleventh, have been completed, their first published copies being supplied to members of the society at the meeting of the Council on February 13th of this year.

Volume X, having 938 pages, with 23 plates, contains twenty-two miscellaneous addresses and papers that had been read before the society during the past five years; also the memorial addresses presented at meetings of the society in honor of the late Bishop Whipple, Governor Ramsey, Judge Flandrau, and General Sanborn; and brief biographies of thirty-five deceased members.

This volume was found to be so large that it has been necessary to bind it in two parts, which are consecutively paged. Part II has an index of the whole volume. It also contains an index of the authors and principal subjects in the series of these Volumes I to X, and a personal index of Volumes I to IX, both of which were compiled from the indexes of the several volumes. These general indexes will be very convenient for references to subjects and persons noticed in the entire series.

Volume XI, in 285 pages, with 11 maps and 88 other illustrations, mostly portraits and views from photographs, is entitled "Itasca State Park, an Illustrated History, by J. V. Brower, Author of Volume VII, Minnesota Historical Collections, 1893, etc."

Another volume for this series is in preparation by Mr. Brower, to treat of the archæology of this state, its aboriginal mounds, the Indian tribes, and their implements, weapons, and ornaments. Extensive manuscripts and plat-books of the late Alfred J. Hill, of St. Paul, comprising records of archæological explorations throughout Minnesota and the Northwest during many years, are expected to be obtained from his heirs and to be used in this publication, with large additions from the author's personal explorations and surveys.

The secretary, working on themes of our state history in the intervals permitted by other duties, with Mrs. Rose Barteau Dunlap as literary assistant, has three volumes in preparation for the same series, namely, first, "Minnesota Biography," an alphabetic list of biographies of the pioneers and chief citizens of Minnesota as a territory

and state during its first half century; second, "Minnesota Geographic Names," giving the origin, meaning, and date, so far as can be ascertained, of all our proper names, as of the state, its counties and townships, cities, villages, railway stations, postoffices, creeks, rivers and lakes, hills and mountains, and the streets and parks in cities; and, third, a History of this Society in its work for our state, its library and other collections, and its membership, with catalogues of the portrait collection and of the departments of local histories and genealogies, a bibliography of Minnesota state publications and of the history and literature of this state, and helpful information concerning other portions of the library and museum.

On the first and second of these volumes a large amount of work has been done. The compilation of the "Minnesota Biography," now nearly ready to be published, chiefly done by Mrs. Dunlap, with reading of each sketch by the secretary before it is typewritten for the copy to be used in printing, has been carried forward to the extent of about 12,000 biographic sketches, varying in length from two to ten lines. Each gives references at the end, by Arabic numerals, to the works from which it is derived, as former collections of biographies, our state and county histories, the legislative manuals, this society's publications, its scrap-books, other books and pamphlets, newspaper files, etc. Two hundred or more sources of information are thus compiled into one alphabetic series, which gives very concisely the principal dates and facts about each person, with citation of all other works where more full details of the biography may be found. It is believed that this careful compilation of all important biographic sketches in our many state publications, supplemented by other biographies obtained by correspondence and personal interviews, will be of very great and permanent value for frequent reference by all classes of our people who care to acquaint themselves with our state history.

Work has also been well begun by the secretary and literary assistant on a biography, in one or two volumes, of the late Alexander Ramsey, Minnesota's "War Governor" and "Grand Old Man," foremost in statesmanship for promotion of this commonwealth, designed to be published in the same series of Historical Collections.

MEMBERSHIP.

According to the by-laws of the Executive Council, the due of annual membership is five dollars yearly, which in six years confers life membership, with no further dues; but an applicant may become a life member at the beginning of membership by the payment of twenty-five

dollars. Members receive the current publications of the society, are welcomed in the monthly council meetings, and are invited to write historical papers, especially on the local history of any part of Minnesota, for these meetings and for publication in the society's Historical Collections. Besides the annual and life members, who, when residing within this state, constitute the active membership, the society includes two other classes, namely, corresponding members and honorary members. A list of the present members in each of these classes, with their addresses, is given on later pages.

The society now has 17 honorary members, 77 corresponding members, 212 life members, and 49 annual members, the total being 355. The honorary and corresponding members represent nearly every state of the Union, Alaska, the provinces of Canada, England, and France. Nearly all of the life and annual members, together numbering 261, are residents of Minnesota, and they represent a large number of our counties. It is desired by the society that every county of the state shall be so represented in its membership.

NECROLOGY.

The following deaths of members have occurred during the past two years, since the last preceding biennial report.

1903.

Corresponding Member:

Peter Neff, Cleveland, Ohio.....May 12th.
Benjamin Drew, Plymouth, Mass.....July 19th.

Life Members:

Hon. Alexander Ramsey, St. Paul.....April 22nd.
Hon. Charles E. Flandrau, St. Paul.....September 9th.

1904.

Life Members:

Hon. George L. Becker, St. Paul.....January 6th.
Frank B. Semple, Minneapolis.....February 17th.
Hon. Hiram F. Stevens, St. Paul.....March 9th.
Gen. John B. Sanborn, St. Paul.....May 16th.
Henry L. Williams, Los Angeles, Cal.....June 7th.
Dr. James Henry Dunn, Minneapolis.....June 16th.
John B. Spencer, Alameda, Cal.....July 30th.
Hon. Rensselaer R. Nelson, St. Paul.....October 15th.
Hon. Greenleaf Clark, St. Paul.....December 7th.

Annual Members:

Julius M. Goldsmith, St. Paul..... May 4th.
 Hon. Eli Trumbull Wilder, Red Wing..... June 3rd.
 William R. Dorr, Englewood, N. J..... December 1st.

1905.

Life Member:

Dr. George R. Metcalf, St. Paul..... March 1st.

It is with profound sorrow that we have to record the deaths, within these two years, of three presidents of this society.

Gov. Alexander Ramsey, who was its first president, from 1849 to 1863, and again from 1891 until his death, was born near Harrisburg, Pa., September 8th, 1815; was a member of Congress from Pennsylvania, 1843-47; was the first territorial governor of Minnesota, 1849-53; governor of this state, 1860-63; United States senator, 1863-75; and secretary of war, 1879-81. He died at his home in St. Paul, April 22nd, 1903.

Gen. John B. Sanborn, who was elected president, succeeding Governor Ramsey, May 11th, 1903, was born in Epsom, N. H., December 5th, 1826; came to Minnesota, settling in St. Paul, in 1854; and practiced law in this city continuously until a few weeks before his death, except when in public service. He was adjutant general of Minnesota in 1861; was colonel of the Fourth Minnesota Regiment in 1862; was promoted to the rank of brigadier general in 1863; and was breveted major general in 1865. During the years 1865-66, as United States commissioner, he made many important treaties with the Indians, and in 1867 was appointed by Congress as a member of the Indian Peace Commission. He became a member of this society in 1856, and was a member of its Executive Council since 1875. General Sanborn died at his home in St. Paul, May 16th, 1904.

Hon. Greenleaf Clark was elected president September 12th, 1904. He was born in Plaistow, N. H., August 23rd, 1835; came to St. Paul, Minn., in 1858, which was ever afterward his home; and practiced law here until he was appointed an associate justice of the Supreme Court of this state in 1881. The following year he resumed his law practice, from which he retired in 1888. He became a regent of the State University in 1879, and president of the Board of Regents in 1901. Judge Clark was elected to life membership in this society December 13th, 1880, and to its Executive Council, January 19th, 1891. After his election as president, he presided in three monthly meetings of the Council. Late in November he went to southern California, as he had

done for several preceding winters, and died December 7th, 1904, at Lamanda Park, near Los Angeles.

RESOURCES AND EXPENDITURES.

The annual appropriations from the state are \$15,000, available within the fiscal year of the state accounts, ending July 31st. The expenditures of the society have been as follows:

	1903.	1904.
Purchase of books.....	\$3,021.28	\$2,512.42
Binding and printing.....	1,122.56	1,122.65
Express and freight.....	118.17	137.06
Postage	107.00	102.00
Insurance	10.20	177.32
Rent	120.00	120.00
Miscellaneous	162.89	244.13
Archæological field work.....	1,866.64	1,999.92
Services	5,431.68	6,125.29
	<hr/> \$11,960.42	<hr/> \$12,540.79

Unexpended parts of the appropriations for these years are reserved, as approved by the state auditor, for use in the removal to the new capitol, to supply museum cases, and whatever other furnishings may be needed for the library, museum, etc.. in addition to the equipment provided by the State Capitol Commission.

RETROSPECT OF TEN YEARS.

The present secretary, being in the tenth year of his service for this society, may be permitted to review briefly its progress during this period.

The library has grown from 55,265 volumes at the beginning of 1895 to 77,684 volumes on the first day of this year. In a larger proportion the accessibility of this great collection of books and pamphlets has been increased by its card catalogue, which in 1895 numbered 54,847 cards, and now 94,506.

In 1895 the newspapers received by the Library numbered 340, and now 557; but the bound newspaper volumes have more than doubled, increasing from 2,924 to 6,526. The average annual increase of 360 volumes, however, has been lately much exceeded, for about 550 newspaper volumes have been bound and added to the Library in each of the last two years.

Great progress has been made in our collection of township and county histories, which comprise now about twice as many volumes as ten years ago.

Likewise in the department of American genealogies our Library has more than doubled its collections, both of bound volumes and pamphlets, during this time.

At the beginning of the year 1895 we had completed three scrap-books of selected newspaper items and articles on our state history, and three other books were being filled. Since then the number of these scrap-books completed has increased to twenty-nine, with eight others in progress under a system of classification of subjects, as noted on a foregoing page.

Thirteen manuscript books of copied letters, written by the secretary in the correspondence of the society, have been filled, comprising more than 10,000 letters. Descriptive catalogues of all accessions to the library, and special records of all donations, fill several large volumes.

Within these ten years the society's Portrait Collection has increased by about a hundred large framed portraits, about 800 portraits in group pictures, and nearly the same number of separate card and cabinet photographs.

More than any other department of our possessions, the Museum has been remarkably enlarged, as before stated, by very extensive archaeological collections, contributed by two honored councilors of this society.

Ten annual meetings and several special meetings of the society have been held, and ninety monthly meetings of the Executive Council, these being omitted in June, July and August. In nearly all these meetings public addresses and papers on Minnesota history have been presented.

Four volumes, VIII to XI, of our Historical Collections have been published during these ten years, comprising 2,459 pages, with 159 plates (portraits, maps, and views from photographs), besides other illustrations. Volume I has been reprinted, in 1902, comprising 430 pages.

During this period many members have been received, and many former members have died. The increase of membership is about 150, from about 200 members in 1895 to a present list of 355 members.

LOOKING FORWARD.

It may be reasonably anticipated that similar ratios of increase of the society's library and other collections, of its publications, and

of its membership, will continue during the coming years. Therefore it is evident that a new and ample building, to be occupied entirely by this society, similar to those devoted to state history in Madison, Wisconsin, and Des Moines, Iowa, should soon be provided, preferably on some site nearly adjoining the new capitol.

This society acts as the servant of the people of the state in gathering its very extensive and valuable library, which stands in the front rank among the great historical libraries of the United States. It is in the state capitol building and is a free reference library, open daily to the public from 8:30 a. m. to 5 p. m. In view of the remarkable growth of our state in population and wealth, its educational institutions, with which this society, in its service of the public through its library, museum, portrait collection, and publications, is to be classed, deserve proportional increase of their support, that Minnesota shall continue to hold its proud position among the foremost states in providing for the diffusion of useful knowledge among its citizens.

In asking for additional means to prosecute its work in the collection and preservation of Minnesota history, and in the building up of the library, which is to have larger space in the new capitol, our society can look with friendly emulation on the prosperity and great usefulness of the Wisconsin Historical Society, for whose work, chiefly in the support of its library, that state grants at present \$30,000 yearly in appropriations and other state aid. In addition to the annual expenditures the state of Wisconsin has erected, for the use of its Historical Society, a fireproof building at a cost of about \$400,000, four stories in height, with a capacity for 550,000 volumes.

The state of Minnesota has just cause for pride in the work already achieved by our Historical Society, and for the future it may well pattern to some extent after the adjoining state with which this comparison has been made. One of the special needs of our library is additional assistance for cataloguing the many pamphlets which are received mostly by donations, and for analyzing a larger part of the books than is now possible, so that their separate papers, subjects, and authors may be listed in the card catalogue. There is also an urgent need of more ample funds for the increase of the library by purchases.

The removal to the new capitol, expected to be done during the next few months, rearrangement of the library there, installation of the museum, and especially of its archaeological department, and the general increase of all the society's collections, will require much work and financial expenditure.

During the brief time which must yet intervene before the removal, the society anticipates that its members and others will donate,

CHARTER AND BY-LAWS OF THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

CHARTER.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA.

[Approved October 20, 1849.]

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

That C. K. Smith, David Olmsted, H. H. Sibley, Aaron Goodrich, David Cooper, B. B. Meeker, A. M. Mitchell, T. R. Potts, J. C. Ramsey, H. M. Rice, F. Steele, Charles W. Borup, D. B. Loomis, M. S. Wilkinson, L. A. Babcock, Henry Jackson, W. D. Phillips, Wm. H. Forbes, Martin McLeod, and their associates, be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, by the name and style of the "Minnesota Historical Society," and by that name, they and their successors shall be, and they are hereby made capable in law, to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and defend, answer and be answered in any court of record or elsewhere, and to hold any estate, real, personal, or mixed, and the same to grant, sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise dispose of for the benefit of said Society, and to receive donations to be applied as the donor may direct, and to devise and keep a common seal; and to make and enforce any by-laws not contrary to the constitution and laws of the United States or this Territory; and to enjoy all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation, and that the property which the Society may be allowed to hold shall not exceed five thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That any five members may, at any meeting of said Society, constitute a quorum to do business, and shall, within one year from and after the passage of this act, organize, and, under such regulations as they may adopt, elect a President, two Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, who shall record the proceedings, do the correspondence, and file all communications he may receive touching the object of the Society; which said officers shall hold their offices respectively until their successors are elected, which may take place every three years. The regular meetings of said Society shall take place on the second Monday succeeding the annual meeting of the Legislative Assembly of said Territory, at the seat of government; and the object of said Society shall be the collection and preservation of a Library, Mineralogical and Geological specimens, Indian curiosities, and other matters and things connected with, and calculated to illustrate and perpetuate the history and settlement of said Territory.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED, "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA."

[Approved March 1, 1856.]

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That in addition to the privileges and immunities granted, and duties assigned to the Minnesota Historical Society by the act approved October 20, 1849, the said Society shall be allowed to receive by bequest, donation, or purchase, any amount of property, real or personal, and shall hold the same in perpetuity, as a sacred trust for the uses and purposes of said Society, without in any manner mortgaging or by debts incumbering such property now in possession, or thereafter to be acquired; nor shall any such property be liable, in any manner or form whatever, for any debt contracted by said Society; and the real property now vested in the Society, in the City of St. Paul, and the building hereafter to be located thereon, as a Hall for the same, and the personal property of the Society, shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 2. As soon as convenient after the passage of this act, the Society shall elect an Executive Council, consisting of not more than twenty-five members of the Society, who shall hold their office for the term of three years, and until their successors are elected, which election shall thereafter take place triennially. The Executive Council shall elect and appoint all officers and such agents and collaborators of the Society, resident and non-resident, as they may deem necessary or useful, and the Executive Council shall have the custody of all the property, real and personal, of the Society, and shall frame such by-laws and constitution for their government as they may deem expedient, and do all other things not inconsistent with this act, essential to the prosperity of the Society.

SEC. 3. The objects of said Society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and all other things pertaining to the social, political and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof, a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science, and literature.

SEC. 4. That all acts and parts of acts, so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER XV., SESSION LAWS OF 1856, IN RELATION TO THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

[Approved February 19, 1875.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That chapter XV. of the Session Laws of 1856, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Historical Society of Minnesota,'" be and is hereby amended so as to increase the number of members composing the Executive Council, to thirty.

SEC. 2. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Auditor, and Treasurer of State, and the Attorney General, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Executive Council.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AS A FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

[Approved March 5, 1869.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That for the better support and more enlarged usefulness of the Minnesota Historical Society, there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two thousand dollars, which shall be paid to, and expended by, the Executive Council of said Society, in such manner as they may deem will best promote its objects and aid its purposes; and said Executive Council shall, at the close of the year, report to the Governor the manner in which such money has been expended, and the vouchers therefor.

SEC. 2. And in consideration of such sum, the said Society shall cause their library to be kept open for the free use of the public, during the usual business hours about the Capitol, under such restrictions relative to the consultation of books, and the taking of extracts therefrom, as the Executive Council may direct.

EXTRACT FROM ARTICLE XV., SECTION 1, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

[Adopted October 13, 1857.]

In the event of the seat of government being removed from the City of St. Paul to any other place in the State, the Capitol building and grounds shall be dedicated to an institution for the promotion of science, literature, and the arts, to be organized by the legislature of the State, and of which institution the Minnesota Historical Society shall always be a department.

BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

ADOPTED MARCH 18, 1879.

1. The annual meetings of the Society shall be held at the rooms of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, on the second Monday succeeding the assembling of the Legislature, in years when a session is held, and in other years on the second Monday of January. Due notice of the meetings shall be given by the Secretary, by a publication of the same in at least two papers of the State.

2. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn to a time certain.

3. All active members in good standing shall have the right to participate in the business of the annual or other meetings of the Society.

4. The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Call to order by the President.
 2. Reading of minutes of last annual or any special meeting.
 3. Reports of officers.
 4. Election of Executive Council (at triennial meetings).
 5. Addresses, lectures, or papers read.
 6. Any other business properly coming before the Society.
5. Special meetings of the Society, for any purpose, may be called by the President, at the request of five members.
6. Any life member may be nominated for membership in the Executive Council. All voting for members of the Council shall be by ballot. All nominations made to the Secretary previous to the triennial meeting, shall be by him printed on a slip for the use of members in balloting, and members can vote only when present in person. All the members nominated may be voted for on one ballot, and a majority of all votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

ORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENTS FOR STUDY AND INVESTIGATION.

7. To promote the usefulness of this Society, by encouraging the acquisition and diffusion of knowledge among its members and the people of Minnesota generally, departments may be organized as follows:

Any three or larger number of members of the Society may organize any department now or hereafter designated, and select their own chairman and hold their meetings in the council room of the Society, at such times as it shall not be pre-engaged by the Executive Council or any other department. The departments to be so organized at this time shall be known and designated as follows:

Department of Annals and General History of Minnesota.

- " Geology of Minnesota.
- " Zoology of Minnesota.
- " Botany of Minnesota.
- " Meteorology of Minnesota.
- " Northwestern Geography and Cartology.
- " American History.
- " European History.
- " Oriental History.
- " Genealogy and Heraldry.
- " Ethnology and Anthropology.

8. Any branch of the departments may be constituted a section, and any section or group of sections may be constituted a department, on the approval of the Executive Council. Each department or section shall have power to establish any rules and regulations for its government that are not inconsistent with the charter or by-laws of this Society.

9. Additional departments may be organized in like manner as the foregoing, whenever approved by the Executive Council. Whenever the Executive Council shall refer any question or subject to any department or section, its members shall investigate the same without unnecessary delay, and report thereon to the Executive Council.

10. When any persons shall become annual members of the Society, and shall pay their fees, with the declared purpose of becoming members of a department, the fees and dues by them paid may be expended by such department, for any books and periodicals desired for its use. And the members of said de-

partment may withdraw the books so purchased from the rooms of the Library, under the rules and regulations adopted by them, when the same shall have been approved by the Executive Council; provided, that all books so purchased shall be the property of the Society.

BY-LAWS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

OBJECTS, POWERS AND DUTIES.

1. The objects, powers and duties of this Society are defined in its charter. Among its objects are the following: To collect, arrange, and preserve, a Library of Books, Pamphlets, Maps, Manuscripts, Prints, Papers, or Paintings; a cabinet of Minerals and Archæological curiosities, and other materials illustrative of the Civil, Religious, Literary, and Natural History of the State; to rescue from oblivion the memory of its early pioneers, and to obtain and preserve narratives of their exploits, perils and hardy adventures; to exhibit faithfully the antiquities, the past and present condition, and resources of Minnesota; and it may take steps to promote the study of history by lectures and other means, and to publish and diffuse information relative to the description and history of the State.

MEMBERS.

2. The Society shall be composed of Active, Corresponding and Honorary Members.

3. Active Membership comprises such annual and life members as have been, or shall hereafter be, elected, and reside within this State.

4. Corresponding Members shall be persons residing elsewhere, who feel an interest in the Society and its objects, and are willing to aid it by representing it in their vicinity, and procuring donations for its Library and Cabinet.

5. Honorary Members shall consist of persons distinguished for their literary or scientific attainments, particularly in the department of American History.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

6. No person shall be elected to membership unless proposed at a regular meeting of the Executive Council, and his admission moved by two members of the Society. If any member demand a ballot, the same shall be taken, and five negative votes shall exclude the person proposed.

7. Annual dues shall be five dollars per annum; any member who shall pay annual dues for six successive years, shall then be entitled to a life membership; but any person, by paying the sum of twenty-five dollars at one time, in advance, may be elected a life member, and shall thereafter be free from the payment of annual dues.

8. Should any annual member fail to pay the annual dues for three months, his name shall be erased from the roll of members, and not be replaced until all arrearages of dues are paid.

GOVERNMENT.

9. The government of the Society shall be vested in an Executive Council (as provided by the charter and its amendments), composed of the *ex-officio* members, and thirty life members, to be chosen by ballot every three years at an annual meeting of the Society; due notice of said meeting to be given in at least two papers of the State.

10. The Executive Council shall have the control and regulation of the affairs of the Society, and shall make collections and disbursements of its funds, and shall take all needful measures for its success and proper management.

11. The Executive Council shall fill vacancies in their own number or among the officers of the Society (caused by death, removal from the State, resignation, or any other cause), and may, in its discretion, declare the place of any member of the Council vacant, who shall be absent three successive meetings thereof without sending a reasonable excuse therefor to the Secretary.

OFFICERS.

12. The officers of the Executive Council shall be the officers of the Society, and shall be as follows:

- A President;
- A First Vice President;
- A Second Vice President;
- A Secretary; and
- A Treasurer;

who shall be elected by a majority of actual and individual ballots, at the first meeting of the Executive Council after the triennial meetings of the Society, and shall serve for the term of three years and until their successors are chosen; and no *ad hoc* nominations shall be made in the Executive Council for the election of officers of the Council, or for filling vacancies of officers or members of the Council.

If any officer is absent from the monthly meetings of the Executive Council more than three successive meetings, unless detained by sickness, absence from the city, or any reasonable cause, his office may be declared vacant.

VACANCIES.

13. If a vacancy shall occur in any of the offices of the Society, or in the Executive Council, it shall be filled by a special election, at the next meeting of the Council, and the person so elected shall hold his office for the unexpired term of the person vacating the same.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER.

14. The President, or in his absence, one of the Vice Presidents, or in their absence, a Chairman *pro tempore*, shall preside at all meetings of the Society and the Executive Council, and shall have a casting vote. He shall preserve order, and decide all questions of order subject to an appeal. He shall also appoint all committees authorized by the Executive Council or by the Society, unless otherwise provided.

THE SECRETARY.

15. The Secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the Society, furnish diplomas to members, give due notice of the annual and monthly meetings, and

attend to the correspondence of the Society, carefully preserving the originals of all letters received, laying the same before the Executive Council at its monthly meetings. He shall, on being advised of the death of any member, record it, with the time and place of death, and report the same at the next meeting. He shall be, *ex-officio*, a member of all the standing committees, and perform such other duties as the Council shall direct. He shall make a written report of the operations of the Society at the annual meetings. The Secretary shall also perform the duties of Librarian until otherwise directed by a vote of the Council.

THE TREASURER.

16. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Society, and disburse the same only on the order of the Executive Council, attested by the Secretary. He shall give bonds in such sum as may be required and approved by the Executive Council. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and payments, and report the same in full to the Society at its annual meetings, and to the Executive Council quarterly, or whenever so ordered.

THE LIBRARIAN.

17. The Librarian shall have charge of the Library and Cabinet, the care and arrangement of books, manuscripts, papers, maps, etc., belonging to the same. He shall properly preserve, arrange and keep them in good order. He shall cause to be prepared and kept, a proper catalogue of the same. He shall keep a book in which shall be recorded all donations to the Society of whatever nature, with the name of the donor and date of the same, and shall acknowledge the receipt thereof, and also carefully label such donations with the title of this Society, and name of the donor. He shall under no circumstances permit any book, manuscript, document, or anything belonging to the Society, to be removed from its rooms, except as provided for in section 10 of the by-laws of the Society. At each monthly meeting he shall report the donations received since the last meeting, and at the annual meetings shall make a full report of the condition and progress of the Library.

MEETINGS, QUORUM, ETC.

18. The regular meetings of the Executive Council shall be held on the second Monday of every month.

19. Ten members shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Council for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

20. The Standing Committees of the Executive Council shall be as follows:

1. A COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION, to whom shall be referred all questions pertaining to the charter and by-laws.

2. A COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT BUILDING, whose duty shall be to devise the best ways and means for securing a permanent building or hall, for the use of the Society.

3. A COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, who shall examine and report upon all claims against the Society, and also the reports and accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer.

4. A COMMITTEE ON THE LIBRARY, who shall, with the Secretary and Librarian, have the general superintendence of the Library, the purchase of books, exchange of publications, procuring of suitable furniture, etc.

5. A COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION, who shall examine all manuscripts presented to the Society, and select those suitable for publication, which they shall edit and supervise, if ordered to be printed by the Society.

6. A COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY, who shall have the care of the property of the Society, and other matters connected with its real estate.

7. A COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES, who shall be charged with the preparation of memoirs of deceased members of the Society, or the collection of materials for the same.

8. A COMMITTEE ON LECTURES, who shall arrange for such lectures or addresses before the Society as may be deemed advisable.

9. A COMMITTEE ON ENDOWMENT FUND, who shall be charged with ascertaining and carrying into effect the best plans for the increase of the Permanent Fund, and its profitable employment.

10. A COMMITTEE ON GENERAL BUSINESS, to which shall be referred all business not properly referable to either of the above committees.

11. A COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY, to which shall be referred all applications for such membership, before consideration thereof by the Executive Council.

12. A COMMITTEE ON THE MUSEUM, which, with the Secretary and Librarian, shall have charge of the Society's collections, other than portraits, manuscripts, maps, and printed matter.

21. All Committees, both standing and special, shall report on the subject referred to them, at the next succeeding meeting of the Executive Council, which report must be in writing and signed by the members of the Committee.

MEETINGS, ETC.

22. The President shall call a meeting of the Executive Council, whenever requested, in writing, by five members of the Society.

23. Members of the Society in good standing, shall have the privilege of attending the meetings of the Executive Council and participating in all the exercises, but are not entitled to vote.

24. All parliamentary questions shall be decided by the President, subject to appeal to the Council.

25. All motions or resolutions, regarding the business management or work of the Society, shall be referred to its appropriate committee before being acted on, unless otherwise ordered by a two-thirds vote of the Council.

26. All amendments made to these by-laws shall be proposed in writing at a regular meeting of the Executive Council, and shall (if seconded by three other members) lie over for action at least one month, and a copy of such proposed amendment shall in the meantime be sent to each councilor; and no such proposed amendment shall be adopted unless by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of those present, which vote shall not be less than ten in number.

27. All by-laws and rules for the government of this Society or its Council, not herein contained, are hereby abrogated.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- I. The chair taken by the presiding officer.
- II. Calling the Roll of Members.
- III. Minutes read.
- IV. Donations received since last meeting reported.
- V. Correspondence read.
- VI. Reports of Standing Committees.
- VII. Reports of Special Committees.
- VIII. Nomination and election of Members.
- IX. Lectures, papers and obituary addresses read.
- X. Unfinished business.
- XI. New business.

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Memoir of Rev. Dr. S. Y. McMasters, by Earle S. Goodrich.

Tributes to the Memory of Rev. John Mattocks, by J. F. Williams, Hon. H. H. Sibley, John B. Sanborn, and Bishop Ireland.

Memoir of ex-Gov. Willis A. Gorman, compiled from press notices, and eulogy by Hon. C. K. Davis.

Lake Superior, Historical and Descriptive, by Hon. James H. Baker.

Memorial Notices of Rev. Gideon H. Pond, by Rev. S. R. Riggs, Hon. H. H. Sibley, and Rev. T. S. Williamson.

In Memory of Rev. Thomas S. Williamson, by Rev. S. R. Riggs and A. W. Williamson.

The Inkipaduta Massacre of 1857, by Hon. Charles E. Flandrau.

VOLUME IV.

HISTORY OF THE CITY OF ST. PAUL AND COUNTY OF RAMSEY, MINNESOTA, by J. FLETCHER WILLIAMS, containing a very full sketch of the first settlement and early days of St. Paul, 1838 to 1848, and of the Territory from 1849 to 1858; lists of the early settlers and claim owners; amusing events of pioneer days; biographical sketches of over two hundred prominent men of early times; three steel portraits, and forty-seven wood-cuts (portraits and views); lists of federal, county and city officers since 1849, statistics, and index; published in 1876. Pages, 475. Price, \$3.50.

VOLUME V.

HISTORY OF THE OJIBWAY NATION, by WILLIAM W. WARREN (deceased); a valuable work, containing the legends and traditions of the Ojibways, their origin, history, customs, religion, daily life and habits, ideas, biographies of leading chieftains and orators, vivid descriptions of battles, etc. The work was carefully edited by Rev. Edward D. Neill, who added an appendix of 116 pages, giving an account of the Ojibways from official and other records. It also contains a portrait of Warren, a memoir of him by J. Fletcher Williams, and a copious index. Published in 1885. Pages, 535. Price, \$3.50.

VOLUME VI.

Published in three parts, in 1887, 1891, and 1894; comprising miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest; with eight portraits, and index. Pages, iv., 556. Price, \$2.50.

CONTENTS.

The Sources of the Mississippi, their Discoveries, Real and Pretended, by Hon. James H. Baker.

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- Memoir of Gen. Henry Hastings Sibley, by J. Fletcher Williams.
- Mounds in Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, by Alfred J. Hill.
- Columbian Address, delivered by Hon. H. W. Childs, before the Minnesota Historical Society, Oct. 21, 1892.
- Reminiscences of Fort Snelling, by Col. John H. Bliss.
- Sioux Outbreak of 1862: Mrs. J. E. De Camp Sweet's Narrative of her Captivity.
- A Sioux Story of the War: Chief Big Eagle's Story of the Sioux Outbreak of 1862.
- Incidents of the threatened Outbreak of Hole-in-the-Day and other Ojibways at the time of the Sioux Massacre of 1862, by George W. Sweet.
- Dakota Scalp Dances, by Rev. T. S. Williamson.
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- Traditions of Sioux Indians, by Major William H. Forbes.
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- Autobiography and Reminiscences of Philander Prescott.
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- Revolutionary Pension Roll. List of all the Soldiers and Sailors on the Pension Rolls of the United States Government in 1813.

VOLUME VII.

THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND ITS SOURCE: a Narrative and Critical History of the River and its Headwaters, accompanied by the Results of detailed Hydrographic and Topographic Surveys; illustrated with many maps, portraits, and views of scenery; by HON. J. V. BROWER, Commissioner of the Itasca State Park, representing also the State Historical Society. With an appendix: How the Mississippi River and the Lake of the Woods became instrumental in the Establishment of the Northwestern Boundary of the United States, by Alfred J. Hill. Published in 1893. Pages, xv., 360. Price, \$2.50.

VOLUME VIII.

Published in three parts, 1895, 1896, and 1898; miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest; with 28 plates (portraits, views, maps, etc.), and 7 figures in the text. Pages xii., 542. Price, \$2.50.

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- The Origin and Growth of the Minnesota Historical Society, by the President, Hon. Alex. Ramsey.
- Opening of the Red River of the North to Commerce and Civilization (with Plates II. and III.), by Capt. Russell Blakeley.
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- Lawyers and Courts of Minnesota prior to and during its Territorial Period, by Judge Charles E. Flandrau.
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- How Minnesota Became a State, by Prof. Thomas F. Moran.
- Minnesota's Northern Boundary, by Alexander N. Winchell.
- The Question of the Sources of the Mississippi River, by Prof. E. Levasseur. (Translation by Col. William P. Clough.)
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- Charter Members of the Minnesota Historical Society and its Work in 1896, by the President, Hon. Alex. Ramsey.
- History of Agriculture in Minnesota, by James J. Hill.
- History of Mining and Quarrying in Minnesota, by Warren Upham.
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- Reminiscences of Persons and Events in the Early Days of the Minnesota Historical Society, by William H. Kelley.
- Fort Snelling from its Foundation to the Present Time (Plate XXII.), by Gen. Richard W. Johnson.
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Published in April, 1901; miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest, with 22 plates (portraits and maps). Pages, xiv, 694. Price, \$2.50.

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- Civilization and Christianization of the Ojibways in Minnesota, by Henry B. Whipple, Bishop of Minnesota.
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- The Early Settlement and History of Redwood County, by Hon. Orlando B. Turrell.
- History of Lumbering in the St. Croix Valley, with Biographic Sketches (Plate V.), by William H. C. Folsom.
- History of Pioneer Lumbering on the Upper Mississippi and its Tributaries, with Biographic Sketches (Plates VI.-XII.), by Daniel Stanchfield.

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- Response, by the President, Hon. Alexander Ramsey.
- Organization and Growth of the Minnesota Historical Society, by Gen. William G. Le Duc.
- The Library, Museum, and Portrait Collection of the Minnesota Historical Society, by Nathaniel Pitt Langford.
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- Minnesota in the National Congress during these Fifty Years, by Gen. John B. Sanborn.
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Published in February, 1905; miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest; with 23 plates (portraits, a map, and views). Pages xvi., viii, 938; bound in two parts, consecutively pagged. Price, \$5.00.

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- Memorial Addresses, presented September 14, 1903, by Hon. Greenleaf Clark, with resolutions adopted; and by ex-Governors Lucius F. Hubbard and Andrew R. McGill, Governor Van Sant, Archbishop Ireland, Hon. F. C. Stevens, Henry S. Fairchild, A. L. Larpenieur, Mrs. Vinnie Ream Hoxie, Gen. James H. Baker, and the Secretary, Warren Upham.
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- The Life and Influence of Judge Flandrau, by Hon. Greenleaf Clark.
- Judge Flandrau in the Defense of New Ulm during the Sioux Outbreak of 1862, by Major Salmon A. Buell.
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- Address, by Hon. Joseph A. Eckstein, City Attorney of New Ulm.
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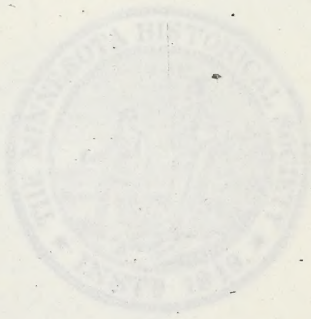
ITASCA STATE PARK, AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY, by J. V. BROWER, Author of Volume VII., Minnesota Historical Collections, 1893, etc.; with 11 maps and 88 other illustrations (page plates and figures in the text), mostly portraits and views from photographs. Printed, 1904; published February, 1905. Pages, 285. Price, \$2.50.

In 1888 the Society published a Catalogue of its Library, then containing 14,421 bound volumes and 13,593 pamphlets. This catalogue, which forms two octavo volumes (1,016 and 839 pages), is supplied to public libraries, high schools, colleges, and universities, on receiving request for it.

The Society publishes Biennial Reports to the State Legislature, which are sent free to anyone desiring them.

WARREN UPHAM, Secretary.

ST. PAUL, MINN., March 15, 1905.



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To Hon. John A. Johnson, Governor:

I have the honor to transmit the fourteenth biennial report of the Minnesota Historical Society, for the two years ending December 31, 1906.

Previous to this series of biennial reports, the society made annual reports to the annual sessions of the legislature; and its age is the same, beginning in 1849, with that of Minnesota as a Territory and as a State.

Very respectfully yours,
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REPORT.

The Minnesota Historical Society, in presenting to the legislature its fourteenth biennial report, may be pardoned for a reasonable pride in its present prosperous condition, conscious that it has fulfilled the trust imposed upon it by the people of the state.

The society was organized in 1849, by a few of the pioneers of the territory, and was incorporated by an act of the First Territorial legislature, approved October 20, 1849, thus being the first literary institution organized in the territory. Its library, consisting then of only a few volumes, was the first established in Minnesota. The amended charter of 1856 enacted: "The objects of said Society, with the enlarged powers and duties herein provided, shall be, in addition to the collection and preservation of publications, manuscripts, antiquities, curiosities, and all other things pertaining to the social, political, and natural history of Minnesota, to cultivate among the citizens thereof a knowledge of the useful and liberal arts, science, and literature."

The work of this society therefore comprises:

(1) The collection, preservation, and publication of materials for the history of Minnesota and its people.

(2) The collection and management of a library containing useful works of reference on the local and general history of Minnesota, of the United States and the world, and on all other valuable departments of knowledge.

(3) The diffusion, among the citizens of the state, of useful knowledge.

In the summer of 1905, soon after the date of the last preceding biennial report, this society entered a new and better epoch, by the removal of its library and museum to the magnificent and fireproof new capitol.

INCREASE AND PRESENT CONDITION OF THE LIBRARY.

On the date of the thirteenth biennial report, January 1, 1905, there were on our shelves, 43,181 bound and 34,503 unbound volumes; total, 77,684 volumes. During the subsequent two years, the additions to the library have been as follows:

	1905	1906
Bound volumes	3,854	3,253
Unbound volumes	230	85

At the beginning of this year 1907, the library had 50,288 bound and 34,818 unbound volumes, amounting together to 85,106 volumes.

All the accessions have been catalogued, with reference to the names of authors, and to the places and subjects treated, requiring the writing of 4,624 library cards in the year 1905, and 6,202 in 1906. The total number of cards in our library catalogue at the beginning of this year was 105,332. The cataloguing, under the supervision of Mr. D. L. Kingsbury, assistant librarian, has been done in a very careful manner by Miss Annie E. Vose; and besides they have mainly supplied the books inquired for by users of the library.

In the foregoing records of growth the newspaper department was included. It should also be considered separately, for as a repository of our state history it is certainly the most important and valuable part of the library. These thousands of newspaper volumes are a priceless treasury of materials for future local historians of Minnesota, and of her counties, cities, and towns, from their beginning to the present time.

In the year 1905 the number of bound newspaper volumes added to the library was 634, and in 1906 the number was 307. The total number on January 1, 1907, was 7,467.

The number of Minnesota newspapers, daily, weekly, and monthly, regularly received, is now 411, and 27 others are received from outside of this state, making the entire number 438. All the Minnesota papers are donated by the editors and publishers, who appreciate the importance of having them placed where they will be preserved for all coming time. The newspaper collection is accessible to all who wish to consult it, and is so arranged that any paper of any date can be readily found. This department, receiving on an average about a hundred newspaper issues every working day, is under the very efficient care of Mr. J. B. Chaney, assistant librarian, with Mr. Harry M. McLean as assistant.

The Minnesota department of the general library, including books relating particularly to this state, is very extensive and of great interest to all our people. It comprises the journals of the legislature, and the laws enacted; reports of the supreme court; messages and reports of executive officers and departments of the state government; reports of the state university, normal schools, and institutions of correction and charity; catalogues of our colleges and academies; reports of the state geological survey; of county, city, and town officers, boards of trade, railway and other corporations; state, county, city and town histories,

atlases, and business directories; the published proceedings and records of the numerous religious, charitable, and social organizations; and many historical, descriptive, biographical, and statistical works, beginning with the narratives of the earliest explorers of the area of Minnesota. This collection numbers 1,825 bound books, and about 1,550 pamphlets.

Two other departments to which constant attention for their increase has been given during many years, and in which this library is scarcely surpassed by any other in the United States, are local history and American genealogy.

Of township and strictly local histories (but not including county and state histories, biographies, and publications of societies), the number of bound volumes in the library at the beginning of this year is for Maine, 123; New Hampshire, 169; Vermont, 45; Massachusetts, 829; Rhode Island, 72; and Connecticut, 161; with considerable numbers for New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and all the states, so far as these special histories have been published. During the past ten years our number of town and city histories of New England has increased from about 700 to about 1,400.

Of American family histories, or genealogies, our library now has 1,729 bound volumes and 898 pamphlets, besides many books in this class published by societies, others giving genealogies of many families collectively, and the genealogical portion of township histories. These collections, free (like all the library) for the use of readers and students, are much consulted for tracing lines of ancestry. Their increase within ten years has amounted to 867 books and 595 pamphlets, the present numbers being more than twice as many as at the beginning of the year 1897.

Another department which is much consulted is the complete series of reports of the United States patent office. All the publications of our national government are received gratuitously, this being a designated depository library. About a sixth part of the entire library consists of these national reports and public documents, which are of the very highest importance and usefulness.

In the old capitol the general library of the society had been arranged to a large degree in the chronologic order of its growth, a few additional bookcases being supplied and filled each year. Therefore, since the removal to the new capitol, a reclassification is being done by Miss Emma A. Hawley, who has had long experience in such work for the Wisconsin Historical Society. The books are thus grouped and marked, and also the alphabetic catalogue cards are marked, according to their subjects, or by the various states and other countries to which they relate, making the library more convenient for consultation and research.

HISTORICAL SCRAP-BOOKS.

Thirty-seven quarto scrap-books, each of 160 pages, well indexed, have been filled during the past twenty-five years by the secretaries and assistants of this society. Within the recent years increased attention has been given to this work, which is now being carried forward by Miss Emma E. Vose at the rate of about four books yearly.

Eight additional volumes are now being filled, receiving as many special classes of newspaper items and articles, with their accompanying illustrations. The general subjects thus separately classed for more convenient reference are: 1, This society, its meetings, papers read, donations, etc.; 2, The City of St. Paul; 3, Minneapolis; 4, Minnesota, outside the Twin Cities; 5, Other states, and especially the adjoining states of the Northwest; 6, Obituary biographies, chiefly of Minnesota people; 7, The Civil War, reunions of former soldiers, the Grand Army, and the Loyal Legion; and 8, The Louisiana Purchase, its Centennial Exposition, held in 1904 at St. Louis, the Lewis and Clark Exposition in 1905 at Portland, Oregon, and the Jamestown Exposition of the present year.

These scrap-books comprise a great amount of historical and biographical information, pertaining mostly to Minnesota, which could not otherwise be so conveniently obtainable. It should be added that the files of our state newspapers donated to the library by the editors and publishers are never used for clipping to make these books; but that extra copies of all papers required for this use are purchased.

THE PORTRAIT COLLECTION.

The society has received by donation many portraits of pioneers and founders of Minnesota, and of citizens who in later years have had a prominent part in the history and development of the state. These are mostly displayed in the old capitol, where the former governor's rooms are used as a state portrait gallery. It contains about 300 individual portraits, besides forty group pictures, which together comprise about 1,500 portraits. There are also about 150 other pictures, as of ancient buildings, monuments, paintings of historic scenes, etc., and many framed historic documents. This collection is the most interesting part of the society's possessions for visitors who have only a short time to spend in its rooms.

About 1,000 additional portraits of Minnesota pioneers and leading citizens, mostly photographs of card and cabinet sizes, are owned by the society and are alphabetically catalogued, so that any of them can be conveniently found.

By donation from the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, this Society has received 29 large framed portraits and a group of 68 separate photographs framed together, all of which, on account of lack of space in the new capitol, are displayed in the portrait gallery at the old capitol.

After the rooms of the portrait gallery were filled, nearly a hundred portraits and other pictures belonging to the society remained and are displayed in the reading room of its library, and in its museum, in the new capitol; but sufficient space could not be allotted to the society there for the whole, or even for the greater part, of this extensive portrait collection.

A catalogue of the framed portraits, other pictures, documents, etc., displayed in the rooms of this society, in both the old and new capitols, is presented in a later part of this report.

THE MUSEUM.

Many historical relics have been donated to the society, illustrative of the conditions of the pioneer settlement of Minnesota, of the Sioux War and the Civil War, of the people who built the thousands of prehistoric mounds in this state, and of their tribes, the Sioux and Ojibways, who were living here when the first white men reached this region. These miscellaneous museum collections are exhibited in the main corridor of the society's rooms, adjoining the library.

In the same large corridor are also exhibited a chair once owned by George Washington; the steering wheel of the old frigate Minnesota, which was built in 1855 and did good service in the Civil War; a large collection of Philippine weapons, presented by Governor Lind; a Spanish garrote, which was long used for executions in a Manila prison, presented by Major Edwin S. Bean; an Ojibway birch canoe; the very large mounted head of a buffalo that was killed by Governor Marshall and others; and the fine head of a moose presented by Governor Nelson.

In the newspaper room is the first printing press used in Minnesota, presented by the Pioneer Press Company, on which James M. Goodhue printed the Minnesota Pioneer, issuing the first number April 28, 1849.

The society's archaeological museum is its southeast corner room, in which the very extensive collections recently donated by Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, a member of the council, are displayed in fourteen large glass cases. These collections of aboriginal implements, weapons, and ornaments, had been gathered by him at his home in St. Paul, during many years, from nearly every state and territory of the Union, and in less numbers from many foreign countries. His donations and his

subsequent additions comprise about 23,000 pieces, or relics, made of stone, bone, shell, horn, copper, pottery, and a very few of brass, lead, iron, glass, and wood.

Other great archaeological collections had also been brought together for this society by the late Hon. J. V. Brower, a member of the council and chairman of its museum committee, who died June 1, 1905. This material comprises a vast number of specimens, in total exceeding 100,000, of stone implements and weapons, flakes from their manufacture, bone and copper ornaments, pottery, etc., partly from the modern Indians and partly from the ancient mounds, throughout Minnesota and a large region reaching west to the Rocky mountains and south to Kansas.

The collections thus made by Mr. Brower, and his field notes, with the large series of field notes and maps of the late Alfred J. Hill, aided by Prof. T. H. Lewis, relating chiefly to the aboriginal mounds of Minnesota and adjoining states, are now being worked over by Prof. N. H. Winchell for this society, in laboratory rooms which were formerly used as the office of the state auditor in the old capitol.

The most noteworthy portions of these collections are designed to be displayed in five cases reserved for this use in the archaeological museum at the new capitol; and from the notes and maps Professor Winchell has in preparation a volume on "The Archaeology of Minnesota," which had been planned by Mr. Brower, to be published by this society in its series of Historical Collections.

These munificent contributions from Councilors Mitchell and Brower give to this museum a national importance surpassed by only very few other archaeological collections in this country.

DONATIONS.

The society has received many donations from its members and friends, among whom the late Hon. Moses K. Armstrong, of St. James, Minn., a member of the Council, was the first to establish a fund for the benefit of the library, now exceeding \$2,000, from the sales of a book of his authorship, "The Early Empire Builders of the Great West."

Another library fund of \$1,000 was received as a bequest from the late Gov. Alexander Ramsey, who for twenty-six years was the president of this society, from its organization in 1849 to 1863, and from 1891 until his death, April 22, 1903.

A third fund, of \$1,000, was given to this society by its late president, Hon. Greenleaf Clark, by a bequest in his will.

Abundant donations have been received to the library from the historical societies of other states, of Canada, England, and other countries; from other societies devoted to sciences and the arts; from schools, colleges, and universities; from public libraries and museums; from the geological surveys of several states, of the United States, and Canada; and from various departments of our national government.

The record of donations during the last year includes 359 books, 1,421 pamphlets, 411 volumes of newspapers received unbound from the publishers, 123 manuscripts, 10 broadsides, 4 atlases, 155 maps, 26 portraits and other framed pictures, 31 photographs, and 6 articles for the museum. Their total amounts to 2,536 gifts. Many of the books and pamphlets received in these donations are duplicates of what were already in the library; but such are valuable for exchange, whereby others new to our collection are obtained.

It should be added that many of the pamphlets received in such abundance as gifts are new to this library, not duplicates, and that they would be of much value if sufficient assistance could be employed for their cataloguing, without which they are not available to be consulted by readers. Probably more than 5,000 pamphlets are now stored away, to be classified, catalogued, and placed in the library for readers, whenever opportunity may permit.

The society desires and is grateful for gifts of books, pamphlets, newspaper files, maps, manuscript narratives, diaries, letters of historical interest, and original documents of every sort which may throw light on the history of any portion of the United States, and particularly of Minnesota and the Northwest.

Especially it is desired to obtain all new publications of township or other local histories and of family genealogies. Many volumes in these departments have been received through donation. If they should not be so available, the secretary wishes to be informed when books and pamphlets of these classes are published, with note of their number of pages and scope and the price for purchase.

RESEARCHES AND PUBLICATIONS.

Thus far the possessions of the society have been considered, and the functions of its corporeal life and growth. This great mass of very valuable property will soon require the erection of a new building, which is again noted more fully on a subsequent page.

Another part of the work of the society, by its members in preparing papers and addresses for its meetings and its publications, and by the secretary and assistants in research concerning the history of Minnesota and the Northwest, may be properly termed the vital breath, the animating spirit, the soul, of all that the society has and is.

Eleven volumes of our Historical Collections have been published, as noted, with their prices, and with the titles of the volumes or of the separate papers therein contained, in later pages of this report.

Volume X was found to be so large that it was necessary to bind it in two parts, which are consecutively pagged. In its Part II, besides an index to the whole volume, are an index of the authors and principal subjects in the series of these Volumes I to X, and a personal index of Volumes I to IX, both of which were compiled from the indexes of the several volumes. These general indexes will be very convenient for references to subjects and persons noticed in the entire series.

The printing of Volume XII has been begun, to comprise the papers and addresses presented before the society during the past two years, since the publication of the tenth and eleventh volumes.

Within this year, also, the society designs to publish a most important work which is being written, and is now nearly completed, by Gen. James H. Baker, of Mankato, a member of the Council, entitled "Lives of the Governors of Minnesota." General Baker is the only citizen still living who has known personally all the governors of Minnesota as a territory and a state, and who has distinguished ability as a participant in public affairs during half a century, and as an author, to write this biographical history.

Another volume for this series is in preparation by Prof. N. H. Winchell, as had been planned by the late Hon. J. V. Brower, to treat of the archæology of this state, its aboriginal mounds, the Indian tribes, and their implements, weapons, and ornaments. Extensive manuscripts and plat-books of the late Alfred J. Hill, of St. Paul, comprising records of archæological explorations throughout Minnesota and the Northwest during many years, are to be used in this publication, with large additions from Mr. Brower's and the author's personal explorations and surveys.

The secretary, working on themes of our state history in the intervals permitted by other duties, with Mrs. Rose Barteau Dunlap as literary assistant, has three volumes in preparation for the same series, namely, first, "Minnesota Biography," an alphabetic list of biographies of the pioneers and chief citizens of Minnesota as a territory and state during its first half century; second, "Minnesota Geographic Names," giving the origin, meaning, and date, so far as can be ascertained, of all our proper names, as of the state, its counties and townships, cities, villages, railway stations, postoffices, creeks, rivers and lakes, hills and mountains, and the streets and parks in cities; and, third, a History of this Society in its work for our state, its library and other collections, and its membership, with catalogues of the museum and portrait collections and of the departments of local histories and gene-

alogies, a bibliography of Minnesota state publications and of the history and literature of this state, and helpful information concerning other portions of the library.

On the first and second of these volumes a large amount of work has been done. The compilation of the "Minnesota Biography," now nearly ready to be published, chiefly done by Mrs. Dunlap, with reading of each sketch by the secretary before it is typewritten for the copy to be used in printing, has been carried forward to the extent of about 12,000 biographic sketches, varying in length from two to ten lines. Each gives references at the end, by Arabic numerals, to the works from which it is derived, as former collections of biographies, our state and county histories, the legislative manuals, this society's publications, its scrap-books, other books and pamphlets, newspaper files, etc. Two hundred or more sources of information are thus compiled into one alphabetic series, which gives very concisely the principal dates and facts about each person, with citation of all other works where more full details of the biography may be found. It is believed that this careful compilation of all important biographic sketches in our many state publications, supplemented by other biographies obtained by correspondence and personal interviews, will be of very great permanent value for frequent reference by all classes of our people who care to acquaint themselves with our state history.

Work has also been well begun by the secretary and literary assistant on a biography, in one or two volumes, of the late Alexander Ramsey, Minnesota's "War Governor," foremost in statesmanship for promotion of this commonwealth, designed to be published in the same series of Historical Collections.

MEMBERSHIP.

According to the by-laws of the Executive Council, the due of annual membership is five dollars yearly, which in six years confers life membership, with no further dues; but an applicant may become a life member at the beginning of membership by the payment of twenty-five dollars. Members receive the current publications of the society, are welcomed in the monthly council meetings, and are invited to write historical papers, especially on the local history of any part of Minnesota, for these meetings and for publication in the society's Historical Collections. Besides the annual and life members, who, when residing within this state, constitute the active membership, the society includes two other classes, namely, corresponding members and honorary members. A list of the present members in each of these classes, with their addresses, is given on later pages.

The society now has 22 honorary members, 82 corresponding members, 223 life members, and 38 annual members, the total being 365. The honorary and corresponding members represent nearly every state of the Union, Alaska, the provinces of Canada, England, and France. Nearly all of the life and annual members, together numbering 261, are residents of Minnesota, and they represent a large number of our counties. It is desired by the society that every county of the state shall be so represented in its membership.

NECROLOGY.

The following deaths of members have occurred during the past two years, since the last preceding biennial report.

1905.

Corresponding Members:

Herbert C. Andrews, Los Angeles, Cal.....May 31st.
Gen. Charles W. Darling, Utica, N. Y.....June 22nd.

Life Members:

Hon. Thomas Simpson, Winona.....April 26th.
Hon. Jacob V. Brower, St. Paul.....June 1st.
Gen. Napoleon J. T. Dana, Washington, D. C.....July 15th.
William P. Jewett, St. Paul.....August 17th.
Hon. John R. Carey, Duluth.....August 25th.
Hon. Albert Scheffer, St. Paul.....September 29th.
Gov. Andrew R. McGill, St. Paul.....October 31st.
John Farrington, St. Paul.....December 8th.

Annual Member:

Capt. John Martin, Minneapolis.....May 25th.

1906.

Corresponding Members:

Capt. Robert Henderson, Junction City, Kansas.....January 6th.
Maj. Dwight H. Kelton, Montpelier, Vt.August 9th.
William Blake Trask, Dorchester, Mass.....December 9th.

Life Members:

Hon. Moses K. Armstrong, St. James.....	January 11th.
Hon. Joseph A. Wheelock, St. Paul.....	May 9th.
Hon. Horatio E. Mann, St. Paul.....	July 10th.
Hon. Henry W. Childs, St. Paul.....	August 30th.
Roscoe F. Hersey, St. Paul.....	September 30th.
Thomas Cochran, St. Paul.....	December 25th.
Hon. George B. Young, St. Paul.....	December 30th.

1907.

Honorary Member:

Dean Dudley, Wakefield, Mass.....	February 12th.
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Life Member:

Hon. Stanford Newel, St. Paul.....	April 6th.
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Annual Member:

Maj. James O. Pierce, Minneapolis.....	April 12th.
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RESOURCES AND EXPENDITURES.

The annual appropriations from the state are \$20,000, available within the fiscal year of the state accounts, ending July 31st. The expenditures of the society have been as follows:

	1905.	1906.
Purchase of books.....	\$4,490.94	\$3,876.61
Binding and printing.....	1,550.41	873.93
Express and freight.....	231.98	221.50
Postage	114.50	100.20
Insurance	71.25	142.50
Rent	70.00	
Removal to the new capitol.....	2,074.13	
Archæological work, museum cases, etc.....	6,126.96	4,750.00
Services	6,744.31	7,694.57
Miscellaneous	443.93	274.79
	<u>\$22,418.41</u>	<u>\$17,934.10</u>

LOOKING FORWARD.

On account of the steady increase of the library, portrait collection, and museum, it is evident that a new and ample building, to be occupied entirely by this society, similar to those devoted to state history in Madison, Wisconsin, and Des Moines, Iowa, should soon be provided. It may be preferably on some site nearly adjoining the new capitol, or a suitable fireproof building may be erected on the site of the old capitol.

This society acts as the servant of the people of the state in gathering its very extensive and valuable library, which stands in the front rank among the great historical libraries of the United States. It is a free reference library, open daily to the public from 8:30 a. m. to 5 p. m. In view of the remarkable growth of our state in population and wealth, its educational institutions, with which this society, in its service of the public through its library, museum, portrait collection, and publications, is to be classed, deserve proportional increase of their support, that Minnesota shall continue to hold its proud position among the foremost states in providing for the diffusion of useful knowledge among its citizens.

We can look with friendly emulation on the prosperity and great usefulness of the Wisconsin Historical Society, for whose work, chiefly in the support of its library, that state grants at present \$30,000 yearly in appropriations and other state aid. In addition to the annual expenditures the state of Wisconsin has erected, for the use of its Historical Society, a fireproof building at a cost of about \$400,000, four stories in height, with a capacity for 550,000 volumes.

The state of Minnesota has just cause for pride in the work already achieved by our Historical Society, and for the future it may well pattern to some extent after the adjoining state with which this comparison has been made. One of the special needs of our library is additional assistance for cataloguing the many pamphlets which are received mostly by donations, and for analyzing a larger part of the books than is now possible, so that their separate papers, subjects, and authors, may be listed in the card catalogue. There is also an urgent need of more ample funds for the increase of the library by purchases.

During the time which must yet intervene before the desired new building shall be provided, the society anticipates that its members and others will donate, but reserve at their homes, many portraits, historical pictures, and articles for the museum. These departments, which are of chief attraction and instructiveness to visitors, even with their present space, partly in the old capitol, will then have more ample exhibition.

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CATALOGUE OF PORTRAITS, OTHER PICTURES, FRAMED DOCUMENTS, ETC., DISPLAYED IN THE ROOMS OF THIS SOCIETY.

IN THE LIBRARY READING ROOM AT THE NEW CAPITOL. (NO. 583 TO 588 ARE ALSO
IN THIS ROOM.)

1. Gov. Alexander Ramsey. Pastel, by Miss Russell. Presented by friends.
2. Gen. John B. Sanborn. Pastel, by the Horton Co. Presented by himself.
3. Judge Greenleaf Clark. Pastel, by Miss Russell. Presented by himself.
4. Hon. William D. Washburn. Oil, by his son, Cadwallader Washburn.
5. Hon. William Windom. Oil, by W. W. Churchill. Presented by Mrs. Windom.
6. Gov. Cushman K. Davis. Engraving.
7. Chapel of St. Paul. Oil painting by Alexis Fournier. Presented by J. J. Hill.
8. Chapel of St. Paul. Photograph about 1858.
9. Chapel of St. Paul. Print, including also a map showing its location, the First Cathedral, a portrait of Father Ravoux, and descriptive and historical notes.
10. St. Paul in 1853, view from Dayton's Bluff. With the Chapel, called "Nucleus of St. Paul," Fort Snelling, Ha Ha Falls, and St. Anthony Falls. Engraving, published by Whitney and Le Duc.
11. Father Lucien Galtier. Oil, by Dr. Falkenshield.
12. Father Augustin Ravoux. Photograph.
13. Hon. Henry L. Moss. Pastel, by Miss Russell. Presented by friends.
14. Rev. Edward D. Neill, D. D. Pastel, by the Horton Co.
15. Rev. Moses N. Adams. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
16. Mrs. Moses N. Adams. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
17. Pres. James W. Strong, Carleton College. India ink, from photograph.
18. John Fletcher Williams, Secretary of this Society, 1867-1893. Pastel, by Miss Russell. Presented by friends.
19. Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear, Chaplain of Fort Snelling, 1838-1858. Oil, by Miss McKinstry. Presented by friends.
20. Old Government Mills at St. Anthony. Oil, by Miss Thorp.
21. Judge Charles E. Flandrau. Pastel, by Miss Russell. Presented by himself.

22. Captain Timothy J. Sheehan. Pastel, by Miss Russell. Presented by himself.
23. Gov. (and General) Henry H. Sibley. Oil portrait, by John P. Bligh.
24. Hon. Norman W. Kittson. Oil portrait, by John P. Bligh.
The two last were presented by James J. Hill.
25. Hon. Henry M. Rice. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
26. Alexander H. Cathcart, St. Paul. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
27. Gen. (and Governor) William R. Marshall. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
28. Hon. Simeon P. Folsom, St. Paul. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
29. Hon. William H. C. Folsom, Taylor's Falls. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
30. Hon. John S. Prince, St. Paul. Oil, by Henry Carling.
31. Hon. Charles D. Gilfillan. Oil, by Miss McMillan.
32. Gov. Alexander Ramsey. Engraving.
33. Gen. James H. Baker, Mankato. Crayon portrait.
34. Henry S. Fairchild, St. Paul. Oil portrait, 1887, by John Horsburg, Edinburgh, Scotland.
35. Hon. William B. Dean, St. Paul. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
36. Hon. Delos A. Monfort, St. Paul. Oil, by N. R. Brewer.
37. Gen. (and Governor) Lucius F. Hubbard. Pastel, by the Horton Co.
38. Gov. Andrew R. McGill. Pastel, by T. S. Russell.
39. George Washington. Full portrait, engraved.
40. George Washington. Profile portrait, engraved.
41. Martha Washington. Profile portrait, engraved.
The three last were presented by Governor Hubbard.
42. Abraham Lincoln in 1864. Engraving.
43. Governor Ramsey. Miniature medallion, by John K. Daniels.

IN THE PORTRAIT ROOMS AT THE OLD CAPITOL.

Nos. 44 to 72 are crayon portraits of citizens of St. Paul who have been prominent in the history of this city and of the state, donated, through the kindness of the late Thomas Cochran, by the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce.

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| 44. Alexander H. Cathcart. | 59. William Lindeke. |
| 45. Norman W. Kittson. | 60. Hon. John T. Averill. |
| 46. Hon. Henry M. Rice. | 61. Frederick Driscoll. |
| 47. Hon. Edmund Rice. | 62. Conrad Gotzian. |
| 48. Daniel W. Ingersoll. | 63. Girard Hewitt. |
| 49. Gen. Richard W. Johnson. | 64. Dr. Daniel W. Hand. |
| 50. Hon. Elias F. Drake. | 65. Lane K. Stone. |
| 51. Amherst H. Wilder. | 66. Charles W. Hackett. |
| 52. Horace Thompson. | 67. Charles D. Strong. |
| 53. Daniel R. Noyes. | 68. James C. Burbank. |
| 54. Gen. Judson W. Bishop. | 69. Daniel D. Merrill. |
| 55. Eugene V. Smalley. | 70. Emerson W. Peet. |
| 56. Capt. Henry A. Castle. | 71. Bartlett Presley. |
| 57. Col. William P. Clough. | 72. Capt. Russell Blakeley. |
| 58. John W. McClung. | |
| 73. Col. Chauncey W. Griggs, St. Paul. | Pastel, by Miss Russell. |

Nos. 74 to 81 are crayon portraits of governors of Minnesota as a Territory and a State.

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| 74. Alexander Ramsey. | 78. Stephen Miller. |
| 75. Willis A. Gorman. | 79. William R. Marshall. |
| 76. Samuel Medary. | 80. Horace Austin. |
| 77. Henry A. Swift. | 81. Cushman K. Davis. |
82. Major Joseph R. Brown. Engraving.
 83. David C. Shepard, St. Paul. Photograph.
 84. Hon. Elias F. Drake, St. Paul. Engraving.
 85. Hon. Henry M. Rice. Engraving.
 86. Hon. John W. North. Engraving.
 87. Gov. Stephen Miller. Photograph.
 88. Hon. William Freeborn. Photograph. Presented by H. T. Bevans.
 89. Gen. Herman Haupt. Photograph.
 90. Ramsay Crooks, President of the American Fur Company. Oil portrait.
 91. Mrs. Ellen Rice Hollinshead. Photograph.
 92. James M. Goodhue, the first Minnesota Editor. Engraving.
 93. John Fletcher Williams. Engraving.
 94. Rev. John Mattocks, St. Paul. Oil portrait.
 95. Rev. James Lloyd Breck. Photograph.
 96. City and County Hospital, St. Paul, 1883. Photograph.
 97. City and County Hospital, St. Paul, 1903. Crayon.
 98. Early Railroad Train, St. Paul. Photograph. Presented by J. H. Thurston.
 99. Locomotive, "William Crooks," the first in Minnesota, 1862. Photograph.
 100. St. Paul, view from Dayton's Bluff, 1858, showing the first railroad grade in Minnesota. Photograph.
 101. St. Paul in 1857, view from the County Jail during its construction, looking northeast. Photograph.
 102. Hon. Dennis W. C. Dunwell, mayor of West St. Paul, 1861. Photograph.
 103. Martin Williams, founder of the St. Peter Tribune.
 104. Hon. Henry M. Rice. Photograph. Presented by Frederick D. Rice.
 105. Map of Minnesota, showing location of Creameries, 1896.
 106. James J. Hill. Engraving. With extract from his speech at the launching of the Steamship Minnesota.
 107. Former Library of this Society in the Old Capitol. Photograph.
 108. Charles E. Mayo, St. Paul. Engraving.
 109. Store of J. McCloud, Jr. & Co., St. Paul, 1849. Daguerreotype.
 110. Later Store of same, St. Paul. Daguerreotype.
 111. Store of J. McCloud & Brother, St. Paul, 1859. Photograph.
 112. Directors and Honorary Members of the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, 1889. Framed group of 68 photographs, as follows:
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| J. W. Bishop, President. | A. S. Tallmadge, Secretary. |
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HONORARY MEMBERS.

J. C. Burbank.	J. B. Sanborn.
R. W. Johnson.	Henry Villard.
F. Driscoll.	H. M. Rice.
H. H. Sibley.	R. Blakeley.

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 D. R. Noyes.
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 D. H. Moon.
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 Nathan Ford.
 H. A. Castle.
 R. B. Wheeler.
 R. R. Dorr.
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 R. Gordon.
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 L. Warner.
 A. Pugh.
 R. C. Jefferson.

113. Court House and City Hall, St. Paul, erected in 1884-89. Photograph of the Accepted Design by Radcliff and Buffington, Architects.
114. Store of J. Rowe, St. Paul, the first erected on Seventh St., in the winter of 1855. Photograph in 1889.
115. View in St. Paul, about 1851. Photograph.
116. View in St. Paul from Baptist Hill, looking west, 1851. Photograph.
117. View in St. Paul, 1851, looking up Robert St. from Third St., with the Old Baptist Church on the hill. Photograph.
118. Merchants' Hotel, St. Paul, about 1856. Photograph.
119. American House, St. Paul, 1856. Photograph.
120. St. Paul Dispatch printing the Declaration of Independence in Street Procession, July 4, 1876. Photograph, presented by M. N. Kellogg. (No. 455 is one of these prints.)
121. Pioneer and Democrat Office, S. E. corner of Third and Jackson streets, St. Paul, 1858. Water color sketch, presented by Mrs. Harriet E. Belote.
122. First Post Office of St. Paul, 1854-57, S. E. corner of Wabasha and Bench streets, erected by William G. Le Duc, 1854; destroyed by tornado, August 20, 1904. Photograph, presented by Edward A. Bromley.

123. Alexander Ramsey School Building, Albert Lea, built in 1905. Photograph. Presented by the Albert Lea School Board.
 124. Judge Edmund W. Bazille, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
 125. Harriet E. Bishop, first secular and Sunday School teacher in St. Paul, July, 1847. Photograph.
 126. Hon. Thomas Cowan, Traverse des Sioux. Photograph, presented by Capt. William C. Brown.
 127. "The Anchorage," Home of August L. Larpenteur, St. Paul, built in 1856. Painted and presented by Delia E. Chaney.
 128. Advertisement, "Minnesota Land Grant Jollification, to come off at Stillwater, Thursday, March 19, 1857."
 129. New Year's Greeting of the Carriers of the St. Paul Daily Dispatch, 1869. Print, presented by David Ramaley.
 130. Butter Model of the New Capitol of Minnesota, Pan-American Exposition, Buffalo, N. Y., 1901, by John K. Daniels, St. Paul. Photograph.
 131. Junior Pioneer Association of Ramsey County, Second Annual Ball, Jan. 15, 1891; with List of Officers and Members, and etched Portraits of David Olmsted, first mayor, 1854, and Robert A. Smith, present mayor, 1891. Print, presented by Hon. E. C. Starkey.
 132. Dr. John J. Dewey, St. Paul. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 133. J. W. Selby, St. Paul. Oil portrait.
 134. Mrs. J. W. Selby, St. Paul. Oil portrait.
- The two last were presented by James K. Humphrey.
135. Charles Bazille, St. Paul, former owner of the site of the Old Capitol. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 136. Vital Guerin, St. Paul, former owner of the site of the City Hall. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 137. Wilford L. Wilson and Henry L. Moss, of St. Paul, at the Log Cabin of the Territorial Pioneers on the State Fair Ground, 1900. Photograph, by E. A. Bromley.
 138. Red River Carts, Oxen, and Traders' Camp, in the western part of St. Paul, 1866. Photograph.
 139. Gopher Train Excursion. Printed Cartoon, opposing the Five Million Loan to Railroads, 1858. Presented by William Constans.
 140. Carver's Cave, St. Paul, 1867. Photograph.
 141. Hon. Joe Rolette, of Pembina, who saved the capital to St. Paul by running away with the Bill to remove it to St. Peter, in the eighth session of the Territorial Legislature, 1857. Pastel, presented by Judge Flandrau.
 142. Hon. Charles K. Smith, the first Secretary of Minnesota Territory. Engraving.
 143. Hon. Henry N. Setzer, of Stillwater, who presided in the Territorial Council, March 1-7, 1857, during the final consideration of the Bill for removal of the capital to St. Peter. Photograph.
 144. Hon. William H. Yale, Lieutenant Governor, 1870-74. Photograph, 1900.
 145. Gen. C. C. Andrews. Photograph in Washington, 1865.
 146. Gov. Alexander Ramsey. Photograph in Washington, 1865.

The two last are from the series of Civil War portraits and views collected by Capt. Colfax Grant.

147. Governor Ramsey, who died April 22, 1903. Photograph, 1902; with photographic views of his Funeral at the Capitol.
148. Governor Ramsey at his Home, with his granddaughter, Miss Laura Furness. Photograph, 1901, by E. A. Bromley.
149. Judge William Mitchell, Winona. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
150. Hon. Thomas Simpson, Winona. Pastel, by the Horton Co.
151. Major Benjamin H. Randall, Winona. Pastel.
152. Rev. Joseph W. Hancock, Red Wing. Pastel, by the Horton Co.
153. Hon. Reuben Wells, Preston, Crayon portrait. Presented by his son, Judge Henry R. Wells.
154. Judge Charles E. Flandrau. Replica Medallion, from the Sioux War Monument at New Ulm.
155. Rev. Frederick A. Noble, Pastor of the House of Hope Church, St. Paul, 1862-67. Photograph.
156. Hon. William H. Yale, Winona. Photograph, about 1875.
157. John S. Harris, Horticulturist, La Crescent. Photograph.
158. Hospital for the Insane, St. Peter, 1867. Photograph.
159. First Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Faribault. Photograph.
160. First Wing of the Permanent Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Faribault. Photograph.
161. Hon. Eli Trumbull Wilder, Red Wing. Pastel, by the Horton Co.
162. Hon. Horace B. Wilson, Red Wing, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, 1870-75. Crayon portrait.
163. Martin N. Kellogg, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
164. Major Thomas M. Newson, St. Paul. Photograph.
165. Gov. (and U. S. Senator) Cushman K. Davis. Oil portrait, by Albert di Giovanni. Presented by Mrs. Frank O'Meara.
166. George C. Stone, Duluth. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
167. Nathan Myrick, St. Paul. Pastel, by the Horton Co.
168. Henry Hale, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
169. Henry Villard, President of the Northern Pacific Railroad Co., 1881-84. Crayon portrait. Presented by Hon. George H. Hazzard.
170. John R. Irvine, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
171. Benjamin F. Irvine, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
172. State Officers, 1860. Group of 16 Photographs, as follows: Alexander Ramsey, Governor; Ignatius Donnelly, Lieutenant Governor; James H. Baker, Secretary of State; Charles Scheffer, Treasurer; Charles McIlrath, Auditor, 1861; Daniel N. Gates, Deputy Auditor; Gordon E. Cole, Attorney General; Rev. Edward D. Neill, Superintendent of Public Instruction; Joseph A. Wheelock, Commissioner of Statistics; William H. Acker, Adjutant General; Andrew J. Van Vorhes, Clerk of the Supreme Court; and E. H. Burritt, H. H. Gilbert, S. P. Jennison, F. E. Snow, and William N. Whitney.
173. Minnesota Senate, 1861. Group of Photographs, by C. A. Zimmerman.
174. Minnesota House of Representatives, 1861. Group of Photographs, by C. A. Zimmerman.
175. House of Representatives, 1861. Group of larger photographs, from which No. 174 is a reduced copy. Presented by Col. Alvaren Allen.
176. Gov. William R. Marshall, Lieut. Gov. Thomas H. Armstrong, and the Senate, 1867. Group of Photographs, by J. E. Whitney. Presented by Hon. W. W. Braden.

177. Governor Marshall and the House of Representatives, 1867. Group of Photographs, by A. St. Clair.
178. House of Representatives, 1901. Photograph by George R. Lawrence.
179. Gov. Samuel R. Van Sant, Lieut. Gov. Ray W. Jones, and the Legislature, 1903. Group of photographs, by Harry Shepherd.
180. Advertisement for the Legislature. Group of Photographs, by C. A. Zimmerman.
181. Supreme Court of Minnesota, 1850-1897. Group of 24 Engravings from Photographs, as follows:

Isaac Atwater, John M. Berry, Daniel Buck, Thomas Canty, A. J. Chatfield, Greenleaf Clark, Loren W. Collins, F. R. E. Cornell, D. A. Dickinson, Lafayette Emmett, C. E. Flandrau, James Gilfillan, Aaron Goodrich, S. J. R. McMillan, B. B. Meeker, William Mitchell, R. R. Nelson, C. G. Ripley, Moses Sherburne, Charles M. Start, C. E. Vanderburgh, William H. Welch, Thomas Wilson, George B. Young.

(No portraits could be obtained for Associate Justice David Cooper, 1849-53; Chief Justice Jerome Fuller, 1853; and Chief Justice Henry Z. Hayner, 1856.)

182. Minnesota State Pharmaceutical Association, First Annual Meeting, held in the Capitol, St. Paul, June 16-17, 1885. Photograph. Presented by Martin N. Kellogg.
183. I. O. O. F., Excelsior Lodge No. 60, St. Paul, Charter Members, 1877. Group of Photographs, by A. H. Pepper and Son. Presented by E. A. Bromley.
184. F. R. Welz, Director of the St. Paul Carnival Association, 1888. Crayon.
185. David McClasky, Director of the St. Paul Carnival Association, 1888. Crayon.
186. Louis E. Fisher, St. Paul. Crayon.
187. Dr. Samuel Willey, St. Paul. Photograph.
188. Rev. Frederick T. Brown, D. D., former Pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, St. Paul. Photograph.
189. Major John Espy, St. Paul. Engraving.
190. Dr. Daniel W. Hand, St. Paul. Photograph.
191. Bishop Joseph Cretin, First Roman Catholic Bishop of Minnesota. Engraving. Presented by Archbishop Ireland.
192. St. Paul in 1848. Oil painting, by Henry Lewis. Presented by Hon. T. B. Walker, of Minneapolis.
193. St. Paul in 1855. Oil painting, by S. Holmes Andrews, Canandaigua, N. Y. Presented by Mrs. Louise H. Merrick, of St. Paul.
194. St. Paul in 1856. Engraving from No. 193, by Endicott and Co., New York. Presented by Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson.
195. St. Paul in 1857: a Panoramic Series of Nine Photographs from the top of the Old Court House, by B. F. Upton, of St. Anthony. Published in 1901 by Edward A. Bromley, in his "Photographic History of the Early Days in St. Paul."
196. St. Paul in 1853. Miniature Engraving, published by Schaub Brothers, Tailors.
197. Early Scenes in St. Paul, 1841-1875. Group of 21 Photographs, published in 1904 by Edward A. Bromley.

198. St. Paul in 1883. Engraved general view, and 18 views of principal buildings.
199. The First Methodist Church in Minnesota, built in 1849 in St. Paul, on Market St., between Fourth and Fifth Sts. Photograph.
200. New Ulm in 1860. Engraved general view, and eight views of principal buildings and of Fort Ridgely.
201. School Superintendents of Minnesota Counties, 1897-98. Group of 79 engraved portraits, each named, with residences by counties. Presented by the School Education Co., Minneapolis.
202. Gov. Alexander Ramsey. Engraving.
203. Gov (and General) L. F. Hubbard. Crayon.
204. Col. Alvaren Allen, St. Paul. Oil portrait.
205. Dr. Jacob H. Stewart, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
206. Harriet E. Bishop. (See No. 125.) Oil portrait.
207. Charles A. Morgan, St. Paul. Oil portrait.
208. Captain William H. Acker, St. Paul, killed in the Battle of Shiloh, April 7, 1862. Crayon.
209. W. S. Eberman, of Company E, Eighth Minnesota volunteers, 1862-65. Pastel.
210. Gen. Horatio P. Van Cleve, first Colonel of the Second Minnesota Regiment, 1861-62. Photograph.
211. Brig. Gen. Alfred Sully, third Colonel of the First Minnesota Regiment, 1862. Photograph. Presented by Capt. Josias R. King.
212. Captain T. J. Sheehan, the Heroic Defender of Fort Ridgely in 1862. Photograph. Presented by C. A. Zimmerman.
213. Hon. James W. Lynd, and the Sioux Indian by whom he was killed in the Massacre, August 18, 1862. Pastel and photograph.
214. Mrs. Helen M. Tarble, of Dodge Center, who, being then Mrs. Carrothers, was taken captive, with her two children, by the Sioux in the Indian War of 1862. Crayon and photograph. Presented by her daughter, Mrs. Althea Salisbury.
215. Mary Emily Schwandt (now Mrs. William Schmidt), St. Paul, who was captured by the Sioux August 18, and was released Sept. 26, 1862. Pastel.
216. Snana, wife of Good Thunder, the Sioux Chief, and later Mrs. Maggie Brass. She saved the life of Mary E. Schwandt (No. 215). Engraving.
217. Mrs. Jeannette E. De Camp Sweet, captured by the Sioux, August, 1862. Engraving.
218. Survivors of the First Minnesota Regiment, with Governor Ramsey, Nov. 27, 1901. Photographic group, forty-four portraits, with name and residence of each.
219. Monument to the First Minnesota Regiment, at Gettysburg, Pa., dedicated July 2, 1897. (With Col. William Colvill.) Photograph.
220. Dedication of this Monument (No. 219). Photograph.
221. Dedication of this Monument, with Gov. David M. Clough delivering his Address. Photograph.
222. Monument to the Second Minnesota Battery, on ground occupied by this Battery in the Battle of Chickamauga, Sept. 19-20, 1863. Photograph.

223. Monument to the Second Minnesota Regiment, near Jay's Mill, on ground occupied by this Regiment in the Battle of Chickamauga, Sept. 19, 1863. Photograph.
224. Monument to the Second Minnesota Regiment, Kelly's Field, on ground occupied in the Battle of Chickamauga, Sept. 20, 1863, Photograph.
225. Monument to the Second Minnesota Regiment, Snodgrass Ridge, on ground occupied in the Battle of Chickamauga on the afternoon of Sept. 20, 1863. Photograph.
226. Larger View of No. 225. Photograph.
227. Monument to the Second Minnesota Regiment, on ground occupied in the Battle of Mission Ridge, Nov. 25, 1863. Photograph.
228. Fort Ridgely Monument of the Sioux War, 1862. Photograph. Presented by Hon. C. E. Flandrau.
229. Souvenir of the 24th National Encampment, G. A. R., Boston, Mass., Aug. 12-16, 1890; including portraits of Generals Grant, Sherman and Sheridan. Printed on white satin.
230. Map of Minnesota and Dakota, showing Route of the Northwestern Indian Expedition of 1864, under command of Gen. Alfred Sully. Drawn by D. L. Kingsbury.
231. Dedication, May 10, 1898, of Monument to Major George Q. White, in Oakland Cemetery, St. Paul, erected by the Minnesota Commandery of the Loyal Legion. Photograph.
232. Larger View of this Monument (No. 231). Photograph.
233. The State Flower of Minnesota, Cypripedium (the Moccasin Flower). Color Print, from an Oil Painting by Helen S. Castle.
234. Capt. Wilson B. Farrell, killed at Gettysburg, Pa., July 2, 1863. Photograph.
235. Josiah B. Chaney, St. Paul. Engraving.
236. Hon. Charles T. Stearns, St. Cloud. Engraving. Presented by Dr. George R. Metcalf.
237. Brevet Major Gen. Henry H. Sibley. Engraving.
238. Gen. James Shields, U. S. Senator from Illinois, 1849-55, and from Minnesota, 1858-59. Photograph.
239. Company E, Eighth Minnesota Regiment, 1862-65. Photograph.
240. Enlistment Roll of Company B, First Minnesota Regiment, raised in Stillwater, April 20, 1861. Manuscript bearing 87 signatures. Presented by Mrs. Minor T. Thomas.
241. Part of the Enlistment Roll of Company D, First Minnesota Regiment, April 18, 1861. Photograph. Presented by Daniel W. Jones.
242. Charter of the Minnesota Commandery, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, May 6, 1885.
243. Proclamation by the Sons of the Revolution in the State of Minnesota to the High School Scholars of the State, Oct. 10, 1895, offering Prizes for Essays on the Declaration of Independence. Presented by Rukard Hurd.
244. The Living Flag, consisting of 2,200 School Children, at the Thirtieth National Encampment, G. A. R., in St. Paul, Sept. 2, 1896. Photograph.

245. Roster of Alumni and Other Former Students of the University of Minnesota, who were in the U. S. Army or Navy during the War with Spain. Compiled by Prof. Arthur E. Haynes, 1901; this Revised Edition completed and presented, Sept. 1905.
 246. The Old Pioneer Guard (Group of 41 Members). Photograph. Presented by C. A. Zimmerman, August 30, 1875.
 247. Major Stephen H. Long, U. S. Army, 1831. Engraving.
 248. Rev. Edward D. Neill. Engraving.
 249. Captain Russell Blakeley. Engraving.
 250. Gen. James H. Baker. Engraving.
 251. Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, St. Paul. Photograph, 1901.
 252. Major Thomas M. Newson, St. Paul. Engraving.
 253. Coats of Arms of the Ancestry of Walter Merrill Thurston, St. Paul. Photograph. Presented by John H. Thurston.
 254. U. S. Frigate Minnesota, 1855-1901. Crayon sketch. (Another framed crayon sketch of this frigate, presented by Edward A. Bromley, and accompanied with notes of its construction, and its service, is placed beside its Steering Wheel in the main corridor of this Society's rooms in the New Capitol.)
 255. Costantino Beltrami, explorer of Sources of the Mississippi River, 1823. Engraving. Presented by the City of Bergamo, Italy, 1865.
 256. Diploma awarded to the State of Minnesota for its Exhibits of Cereals at the Universal Exposition in Paris, 1867.
 257. Diploma awarded to the State of Minnesota for its Collective Exhibit at the International Exhibition in Philadelphia, 1876.
 258. First Ice Palace, St. Paul, opened Feb. 1, 1886. Pastel, by the Horton Co.
 259. First Ice Palace, St. Paul, 1886. Engraving.
 260. Second Ice Palace, St. Paul, opened Jan. 17, 1887. Engraving.
 261. Third Ice Palace, St. Paul, opened Jan. 25, 1888. Engraving.
- The three last were presented by Hon. J. J. McCurdy.
262. Borealis Rex and Lord High Chancellor, Winter Carnival, St. Paul, 1896. Photograph.
 263. Hon. Francis R. Delano, St. Paul. Pastel. Presented by his son, Lewis H. Delano.
 264. Col. Daniel A. Robertson, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
 265. Dr. David Day, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
 266. St. Paul Volunteer Fire Department Benefit Association, organized 1861, disbanded 1895. Group of 37 Portraits, photographed and presented by Harry Shepherd, as follows:

T. Reardon, John Jackson, G. W. Freeman, J. C. Prendergast, John E. Miller, G. Hoffman, John Ryan, Philip Sohns, J. Peterson, John O'Donnell, T. Conway, C. H. Williams, F. Werner, P. J. Dries, H. Meyerding, H. Tubbesing, P. Eiswirth, John Heber, J. Schmidt, E. Hammer, E. B. Birge, P. Butler, L. Stone, J. Wilkie, P. Burg, F. Volk, C. Matheis, John Bell, L. Herti, N. Pottgieser, N. Wagner, F. Grininger, P. O'Brien, R. O. Strong, William Delaney, J. G. Donnelly, H. Scharffbillig.
 267. Roswell P. Russell, Minneapolis. Crayon portrait.
 268. Hon. William S. King, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Henry Carling.
 269. Hon. Eugene M. Wilson, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Henry Carling.
 270. Richard J. Mendenhall, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.

271. Hon. Robert B. Langdon, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 272. Col. John H. Stevens, Minneapolis. Oil portrait, by Thomas W. Wood. Presented by Mrs. C. S. Pillsbury.
 273. Capt. George C. Whitcomb, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 274. Hon. Dorilus Morrison, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 275. William W. McNair, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Henry Carling.
 276. Caleb D. Dorr, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 277. Captain John Martin, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 278. Captain Mahlon Black, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 279. Judge Isaac Atwater, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 280. Hon. William D. Washburn, Minneapolis. Crayon portrait.
 281. Gen. C. C. Washburn, Madison, Wis. Crayon portrait.
- The two last were presented by Hon. W. D. Washburn.
282. Joel B. Bassett, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 283. Hon. Daniel Bassett, Minneapolis. Pastel.
 284. Hon. Cyrus Aldrich, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 285. Mrs. Charlotte O. Van Cleve, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 286. Gov. John S. Pillsbury, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 287. Hon. Charles A. Pillsbury, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 288. Hon. Thomas Lowry, Minneapolis. Pastel.
 289. Hon. Benjamin F. Nelson, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 290. Hon. Charles A. Smith, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 291. George Bradley, Minneapolis, Speaker of the House of Representatives, First State Legislature, and Lieut. Colonel of the Seventh Minnesota Regiment. Crayon. Presented by Nathan Butler.
 292. Old Mills at the Falls of St. Anthony. Oil painting, by James Fairman. Loaned by Mrs. E. M. Wilson.
 293. Falls of St. Anthony (west part), 1848. Oil painting, by Henry Lewis.
 294. Falls of St. Anthony, 1848. Oil painting, by Henry Lewis.
- The two last were presented by James J. Hill.
295. Minneapolis and St. Anthony, 1857. Photograph, by E. A. Bromley, of a sketch from Cheever's Tower by E. Whitefield.
 296. Early Scenes in Minneapolis, 1849-1875. Group of 20 Photographs, published in 1903 by Edward A. Bromley.
 297. Ruins of the Mills at Minneapolis after the Great Explosion, Thursday evening, May 2, 1878. Engraving.
 298. Group of Engraved Portraits: Col. John H. Stevens, Judge Aaron Goodrich, Hon. Edmund Rice, and Judge R. R. Nelson.
 299. Group of Engraved Portraits: Governors Ramsey, Sibley, Miller, and Davis.
 300. Bench and Bar of Hennepin County, 1903. Group of 181 Engraved Portraits, with names of each, from photographs by A. H. Opsahl.
 301. St. Paul in 1903. Photograph, by C. P. Gibson.
 302. View in St. Paul, looking Southeast from the Kittson House, 1903. Photograph, by C. P. Gibson.
 303. University of Minnesota, 1903. Photograph, by C. P. Gibson.
 304. State Fair Ground, 1903. Photograph, by C. P. Gibson.
 305. Falls of St. Anthony. Old Engraving, published about 1840, by Thomas T. Ash, Philadelphia. Presented by John A. McAllister, Philadelphia. (See the Sixth Biennial Report of this Society, pp. 13-15.)

306. Stone Arch Bridge, Minneapolis, with Train of State Exhibits for the World's Exposition, Chicago, 1893. Photograph.
 307. Gen. Lewis A. Grant, Minneapolis. Photograph in Washington, 1865. Presented by his son, Capt. Colfax Grant.
 308. Prof. N. H. Winchell, Minneapolis, State Geologist, 1872-1901. Photograph.
 309. William H. Leonard, M. D., Minneapolis. Photograph.
 310. Hon. Martin McLeod, the Pioneer for whom McLeod County was named. Photograph.
 311. Governor John S. Pillsbury. Engraving.
 312. Governor Pillsbury. Photograph of Statue, University of Minnesota. Presented by Mrs. E. C. Chatfield.
 313. Photograph of this Statue (No. 312) and Granite Seats, in front of the University Library. Presented by Mrs. Chatfield.
 314. Copy of note, St. Anthony, Minn., April 18, 1857, for \$3,000, with Interest at 3 per cent per month until due, at end of two months, and, if not then paid in full, to bear Compound Interest at 6 per cent monthly. Presented by Hon. H. T. Welles.
 315. Capt. James G. Snelling, U. S. Army, Son of Col. Josiah Snelling. Pastel.
 316. Henry H. Snelling, Son of Col. Josiah Snelling. Photograph.
 317. Mrs. Anna L. Snelling, Authoress, Wife of Henry H. Snelling. Pastel.
- The three last were presented by Henry Hunt Snelling, of Cornwall, N. Y., 1892.
318. Judge Bradley B. Meeker, Minneapolis. Photograph. Presented by Albert S. Munger.
 319. Old Settlers' Association of Minnesota, at Annual Meeting, June 1, 1883. Photograph of 34 Members, with their names.
 320. Old Settlers' Association, at Annual Meeting, June 1, 1887. Photograph of 45 Members, with their names.
 321. Old Settlers' Association, at Annual Meeting, June 1, 1902. Photograph of 19 Members, with their names.
 322. Martin Mower, Stillwater. Crayon portrait.
 323. Isaac Staples, Stillwater. Pastel.
 324. Col. John P. Owens, Taylor's Falls. Crayon portrait. Presented by his Widow.
 325. Capt. Edward W. Durant, Stillwater. Pastel, by Miss Russell.
 326. Lieut. Gov. William Holcombe, Stillwater. Crayon portrait.
 327. Ephraim H. Whitaker, Point Douglas. Crayon portrait. Presented by his Daughter, Mrs. F. A. Thompson.
 328. Old Home of General Sibley, at Mendota. Oil painting, by Alexis Fournier, 1888.
 329. Residence of General Sibley in St. Paul (417 Woodward Ave.), where he lived from 1865 until his death in 1891. Engraving from a photograph. Presented by Charles F. Sibley.
 330. Judge Francis M. Crosby, Hastings. Photographed and presented by Howard W. Crosby.
 331. Dr. Thomas Foster, Oldest Editor in the State. Pencil sketch.

The following ten numbers, 332 to 341, were photographed and presented by Howard W. Crosby, of Hastings.

332. The Old Ramsey Mill, Hastings, built in 1857 by Governor Ramsey and Dr. Thomas Foster.

333. Falls of Vermilion River, Hastings.
 334. High Bridge of the Mississippi River, Hastings, built in 1894-5; view looking north.
 335. Little Chimney Rock, in Sec. 9, Douglas, Dakota County, about 12 feet high.
 336. Chimney Rock, a tower of St. Peter sandstone, spared by erosion, about 40 feet high, in the east edge of the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 31, Marshan, Dakota County, about eight miles south of Hastings.
 337. Lone Rock, about 30 feet high, in the N. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 14, Empire, Dakota County; view looking southeast. (Called "Castle Hill" on Nicollet's map, 1843.)
 338. Lone Rock (also shown by No. 337); view looking southwest.
 339. Chimney Rock, 18 feet high, in the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 18, Vermilion, Dakota County; view looking west.
 340. Sioux Family and Tepee, on Prairie Island of the Mississippi River, between Hastings and Red Wing.
 341. Aboriginal Mound, six feet high, on Prairie Island, with Archaeological Party, Prof. Edward W. Schmidt, Alfred A. Johnson, Hon. J. V. Brower, and Warren Upham, April 22, 1902. (This large island, ten miles long and from one mile to nearly three miles wide, has 260 mounds.)
 342. "The Sentinel of the St. Croix Dalles," opposite to Taylor's Falls. Photograph. Presented by H. J. Gille.
 343. Bench and Bar of St. Paul, 1899. Group of 120 Engraved Portraits, with their names, from photographs by C. A. Zimmerman. Presented by Hon. Henry L. Moss.
 344. George Washington. Engraving.
 345. Abraham Lincoln. Engraving.
 346. Abraham Lincoln. Chromolithograph.
 347. Ulysses S. Grant. Chromolithograph.
 348. Daniel Webster. Engraving.
 349. Henry Clay. Engraving.
 350. The United States Senate, 1850, with Henry Clay speaking. Engraving.
 351. Key Engraving, in miniature, with the names of 28 Senators whose portraits are given in No. 350.
- The four last were presented by Mrs. Henry Hale.
352. Representative Journals of the United States (Eighteen Newspapers, with Portraits of their Editors). Engraving, published by the Pioneer Press Co., St. Paul, 1885. [One of these newspapers is the Pioneer Press, with its Editor, Hon. Joseph A. Wheelock.]
 353. Representative Journals and Journalists of America (Twelve Newspapers, with Portraits of their Editors). Engraving, published by Root & Tinker, New York, 1882. [Another copy, with minor changes, is No. 589 in the Newspaper Room at the New Capitol, under which these newspapers and editors are catalogued.]
 354. Procession of the Worth Funeral, Nov. 25, 1857. Engraving.
 355. Ceremonies of Dedication of the Worth Monument, in the City of New York, Nov. 25, 1857. Engraving.

The two last, presented by Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson, are in commemoration of Brevet Major General William J. Worth, of the U. S. Army, who died at San Antonio, Texas, May 7, 1849.

356. George Peabody. Engraving.
357. Statue of President Lincoln, in the National Capitol. Photograph. Presented by the Sculptor, Vinnie Ream (now Mrs. R. L. Hoxie).
358. President Lincoln's Funeral Car, in which the Body of the Martyred President was carried to Springfield, Ill. Photograph. Presented by James Allen.
359. Group of the Martyr Presidents, Lincoln, Garfield, and McKinley. Engravings.
360. Minnesota Newspapers reporting the Assassination of Lincoln and the Assassination and the Death of Garfield. Three prints, framed.
361. William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt. Bronze Tablet, bas relief portraits. Presented by James J. Hill.
362. President Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt. Engravings.
363. President Roosevelt addressing the People of St. Paul, April 4, 1903, from the east front of the Capitol. Photograph.
364. President McKinley and his Cabinet,—William R. Day, Secretary of State; Lyman J. Gage, Secretary of the Treasury; Russell A. Alger, Secretary of War; John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy; C. N. Bliss, Secretary of the Interior; James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture; J. W. Griggs, Attorney General; and Charles Emory Smith, Postmaster General. Photograph.
365. Mrs. William McKinley, Wife of the President. Engraving.
366. Dr. Samuel A. Green, Librarian of the Massachusetts Historical Society. Engraving.
367. Charles Deane, Secretary of the Massachusetts Historical Society. Engraving.
368. Birthplace of General U. S. Grant, Cottage at Point Pleasant, Clermont County, Ohio. Engraving, 1864, from a photograph.
369. The Douglass House, Trenton, N. J., General St. Clair's Headquarters, at which Washington and his Officers held a Council of War, Jan. 3, 1777. Photograph.
370. Facsimile of a Letter of Washington, written at "Head Quarters, Morris Town, 22nd Feb., 1777."
371. Facsimile of Testimonial written by Washington in acknowledgment of his Reception, with a Triumphal Arch, in Trenton, N. J., April 21, 1789. Presented by Prof. William F. Phelps.
372. Autograph Letter of President Andrew Jackson to Roswell Judson, Esq., dated "Washington, December 26th, 1836."
373. Autograph Letter of Daniel Webster to Hon. Daniel S. Dickinson, U. S. Senate, Sept. 27, 1850.
374. The Proclamation of Emancipation, in Handwriting so shaded as to make a Portrait of Abraham Lincoln. Engraving.
375. Libby Prison, Richmond, Va., as it appeared August 23, 1863. Engraving. Presented by Hon. J. J. McCurdy.
376. Execution of the Thirty-eight Sioux Indians at Mankato, Dec. 26, 1862. Engraving. Presented by S. S. Eaton.
377. Brevet Major Melville Cary Wilkinson, Captain in the Third U. S. Infantry, killed by Ojibway Indians at Sugar Point, Leech Lake, Oct. 5, 1898.

The following fifteen Engraved Portraits, Nos. 378 to 392, were presented by Judge R. R. Nelson.

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| 378. D. C. Calvin. | 386. H. W. Slocum. |
| 379. E. E. Farman. | 387. F. E. Spinner. |
| 380. John P. Gray. | 388. Joseph Story. |
| 381. John McLean. | 389. E. W. Stoughton. |
| 382. Levi P. Morton. | 390. Samuel J. Tilden. |
| 383. Rev. John P. Newman. | 391. Cornelius Vanderbilt. |
| 384. Jonas C. Priest. | 392. Thurlow Weed. |
| 385. George J. Seney. | |
| 393. John Day Knox. Engraving. Presented by Hon. Moses D. Kenyon. | |
| 394. Pioneers of Buffalo County, Wisconsin. Group of 156 Portraits, with their names. Photographed and presented by Gerhard Gesell, Alma, Wis., 1892. | |
| 395. Craddock Mansion House, Medford, Mass., built in 1634; the oldest Building in the United States, retaining its original form. Photograph. | |
| 396. Group of Six Photographs of Homesteads of the American Revolution, as follows: | |
| 1. Rev. Andrew Kee, Connecticut, Chaplain, ancestor of Mrs. Sarah L. R. Dyer. | |
| 2. Ledyard Homestead, ancestor of Mrs. William Wood. | |
| 3. Dr. Samuel Hildreth, Methuen, Mass., Surgeon of Militia in War of the Revolution, ancestor of Mrs. J. W. Edgerton. | |
| 4. Capt. Leonard Proctor, Proctorsville, Vt., ancestor of Mrs. Ada W. Adams. | |
| 5. Dr. Absalon Baird, 1786, Washington, Pa., ancestor of Mrs. Catherine Farrar. | |
| 6. Gen. Seth Murray, Hatfield, Mass., Brigadier General in the Revolutionary Army, ancestor of Mrs. Fred. Foster. | |
| Loaned by Mrs. J. Q. Adams, Feb. 1895, for the Daughters of the American Revolution. | |
| 397. Henry Villard. Crayon portrait. Presented by the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce. | |
| 398. George Washington. Oil portrait. | |
| 399. Fort Snelling, 1851. Oil painting. Presented by Captain Russell Blakeley. | |
| 400. Fort Snelling, 1852. Oil painting, by James McC. Boal. Presented by Abram S. Elfelt. | |
| 401. Fort Snelling, 1855-60; view from a point south of the Round Tower. Crayon sketch by D. S. Williams, based on a small photograph owned by Miss Gear of Minneapolis. | |
| 402. Fort Snelling, Sally Port; shown also in No. 401. Crayon sketch, enlarged, by D. S. Williams. | |
| 403. Fort Snelling, 1870. Photograph. | |
| 404. Fort Snelling, Round Tower, built in 1820. Photograph. | |
| 405. Fort Ridgely. Photograph of a crayon sketch. Presented by E. A. Bromley. | |
| 406. Fort Ripley; view from the northeast. Crayon sketch. | |
| 407. Fort Abercrombie, D. T., May 1st, 1863. Photograph of a pen sketch by George K. Elsbury, Company D, Seventh Minn. Regiment. | |

408. Crystal Palace, London, 1851. Engraving. Presented by Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson.
409. The Trial of Effie Deans. (See "The Heart of Mid-Lothian," by Sir Walter Scott.) Chromolithograph.
410. The Marriage of Pocahontas. Engraving, by John C. McRae, from a painting by Henry Brueckner.
411. The Treaty at Traverse des Sioux, July 23, 1851. Oil painting, by Frank Blackwell Mayer, from his original sketches made during the councils and treaty.
412. Group of Twenty Sioux Chiefs and Prominent Warriors who made a Treaty at Washington in 1858, with Six White Interpreters. (Names are partially noted.) Photograph. Presented by Nathan Myrick.
413. "Old Bets," a Sioux Woman. Oil portrait, by Dr. Falkenshield. Presented by Judge Flandrau.
414. Little Crow, Ta-oyate-duta, Chief of the Sioux. Water color portrait, August, 1860, by Thomas W. Wood. Presented by Marshall Robinson, Minneapolis.
415. Hole-in-the-Day, Chief of the Ojibways. Photograph, 1858. Presented by Charles Hallock.
416. Na-gua-na-be and Aish-pun, Head Men of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibways, 1901. Photograph. Presented by Hon. J. V. Brower.
417. Wah-bon-a-quod, White Cloud, Head Chief of the White Earth Ojibways, who died Oct. 7, 1898. Crayon portrait. Presented by Hon. Darwin S. Hall.
418. Group of Thirteen Chippewa (Ojibwa) Chiefs from Red Lake, Leech Lake, and White Earth Reservations.
419. Darwin S. Hall, Chippewa Commissioner, and a Group of Twenty-four Chippewa Indians and Half-breeds from the same reservations as the group of No. 418.

The two last are photographs taken by the Bureau of Ethnology at Washington, D. C., January, 1899, presented by Hon. Darwin S. Hall.

420. View of the Great Treaty held at Prairie du Chien, September, 1825, in which upwards of 5,000 Indian Warriors of the Chippewas, Sioux, Sacs and Foxes, Winnebagoes, Pottowattomies, Menomonies, Ioways and Ottowas Tribes were present,—Gov. Lewis Cass of Michigan and William Clark being Commissioners on the part of the United States. Chromolithograph. Presented by Rev. Joseph A. Gilfillan.
421. Col. William P. Ross, ex-Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Fort Gibson, Indian Territory. Crayon portrait. Presented by Rev. Moses N. Adams.
422. Map of the Lake Itasca Basin, within the Itasca State Park, from a Trigonometrical Survey in 1900 by the Mississippi River Commission.

The two following were presented by Hon. J. V. Brower.

423. Views in the Itasca State Park. Group of Eleven Photographs, partly showing timber subject to destruction by irresponsible trespassers.
424. Itasca Park Lodge. Pen sketch.

The three following are from Volume XI of this Society's Historical Collections.

- 425. Hon. Jacob V. Brower. Engraved portrait.
- 426. Hon. Ripley B. Brower, St. Cloud. Engraved portrait.
- 427. Hon. Portius C. Deming, Minneapolis. Engraved portrait.
- 428. Captain Robert Henderson, of Junction City, Kansas, donor, to American history, of the Quivira and Harahey Monument, commemorating Coronado's Expedition in 1541, dedicated August 12, 1902. Photograph. Presented by himself.

The two following were presented by Hon. J. V. Brower.

- 429. Quivira and Harahey Monument, in Logan Grove, near Junction City, Kansas. (See No. 428.) Photograph.
- 430. Chart of Central Settlements of Quivira and Harahey, in the Valley of the Kansas River. Drawn for Captain Robert Henderson, and published by Hon. J. V. Brower in 1903.
- 431. Indian Inscription Rock, at Indian Cave, Mulberry Creek, Kansas, on the Union Pacific Railway, 11 miles northeast of Fort Harker. Photograph.
- 432. Duluth in 1871. Engraving.
- 433. Duluth in 1903. Photograph by C. P. Gibson.
- 434. George R. Stuntz, Duluth. Photograph.
- 435. First Printing Office at the Head of Lake Superior. Engraving, with printed description and history of "this log cabin, the first house built on the site of the present city of Superior." Presented by John C. Wise, Mankato.
- 436. Chronicle Office, Superior, Wis., in 1855. Larger Engraving of No. 435.
- 437. Jacob Falstrom, a Pioneer in the St. Croix Valley. Crayon portrait. Presented by Alfred Palmquist.
- 438. Gabriel Franchere, a Northwestern Pioneer and Author. Photograph. Presented by G. W. and F. Franchere, of Lake Crystal, Minn.
- 439. Gen. George W. Jones, Dubuque, Iowa. Crayon portrait.
- 440. Horace Greeley. Engraving. Presented by Col. William Crooks.
- 441. Thaddeus Stevens. Engraving.
- 442. Governor Ramsey. Pencil sketch by Frank B. Mayer, made at the Treaty of Traverse des Sioux, 1851. Presented by Edward E. Ayer, Chicago.
- 443. John Banvard, Painter of a Panorama of the Mississippi River. Oil portrait. Presented by his son and daughter, John and Ada Banvard, St. Paul.
- 444. Gen. Zebulon M. Pike. Oil portrait. Received from the well-known antiquarian, Robert Clarke, of Cincinnati, who found it in a junk shop. Several bullet holes indicated that the canvas had been used as a target. The unknown painter evidently copied from the original portrait of General Pike, which is in the historical gallery of Independence Hall at Philadelphia.
- 445. Gen. John C. Fremont. Oil portrait, by Francis G. Haines, 1856. Presented by Mrs. H. W. Haines, Newport, Minn.
- 446. Daniel Webster. Oil portrait.
- 447. Daniel Webster. Chromolithograph.

448. Stephen A. Douglas. Chromolithograph.
449. Daniel Webster. Plaster medallion, by F. D. Jones, sculptor, 1852.
450. Henry Clay. Plaster medallion, by F. D. Jones, 1851.
The two last were presented by Henry H. Snelling.
451. Facsimile of the Magna Carta of King John, granted June 15, 1215, with the Seals of the King's Securities and Shields of the Barons in Arms. Presented by Hon. Peter E. Hanson.
452. Magna Carta. Another facsimile.
453. Magna Carta. Translation by William B. Sanders, Assistant Keeper of Her Majesty's Records.
454. Declaration of Independence. Photograph of the fading manuscript. With Restoration of Signatures from a copper-plate engraving in facsimile made by order of President Monroe in 1823. Published by A. G. Gedney, 1883.
455. Declaration of Independence, with facsimiles of signatures. Printed by the St. Paul Dispatch in the Street Procession, July 4, 1876. (See No. 120.) Presented by M. N. Kellogg.
456. The Belt of Wampum delivered by the Indians to William Penn at the "Great Treaty" under the Elm Tree at Shackamaxon in 1682, presented to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania by Granville John Penn, Esq., of England. Chromolithograph.
- 457 and 458. Circular View of Nantucket, Mass., taken from the Binnacle, August, 1890. Photographs.
459. Mount Vernon, the Home of Washington; view looking southeast, down the Potomac river. Photograph, 1902. Presented by Mrs. C. E. Flandrau.
460. Peace Conference at The Hague, Holland, 1899. Photograph.
461. "The House in the Woods," The Hague. In this palace the Peace Conference, 1899, was held. Photograph.

The two last were presented by Hon. Stanford Newel, of St. Paul, United States Envoy and Minister to Holland.

462. Print announcing the Death of Louis XVI, late King of France, beheaded Jan. 21, 1793. With an Address and Lamentation. Presented by C. S. Cowles, St. Paul.
463. Diploma of the Société des Amis de la Constitution de Bordeaux, June 1, 1791. Presented by Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson.
464. Ticket of a Lottery for the Religious Society of German Roman Catholics of the Holy Trinity Church, in the City of Philadelphia, May 1st, 1803. Presented by Leedom Sharp.
465. Cervantes. Engraving. "This Portrait was found in an Old Print Store in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1847, by Rev. F. T. Brown, D. D.," and was presented by him to this Society in 1870.
466. The Indian's Thanks to the Sunlight. Oil painting, by George Catlin. Presented by Major John Espy.
467. A Representation of the Armies of King Charles I and Sir Thomas Fairfax, exhibiting the exact order in which the Several Bodies of Infantry and Cavalry were drawn up, preparatory to the Battle of Naseby, fought the 14th of June, 1645. Engraving. Presented by P. C. Sherren, St. Paul.

468. The Battle of Bunker's Hill, June 17, 1775. Engraving, from a painting by John Trumbull, published in London, 1802. Presented by W. F. Styce, St. Paul.
469. Key engraving, in miniature, giving the names of seventeen officers shown in No. 468.
470. Gettysburg Battle-field, July 2 and 3, 1863, showing about twenty-five square miles of territory, with the positions of the Federal and Confederate Troops. Chromolithograph. Presented by Gen. John B. Sanborn.
471. Fifteenth Minnesota Regiment in parade, bearing a very large United States Flag, on the day, July 27, 1898, of laying the Corner Stone of the New Capitol; view on Seventh St., near Sibley St., St. Paul. (The same flag was likewise carried in the Thirtieth G. A. R. Encampment parade in this city, Sept. 2, 1896.) Photograph. Presented by Dr. E. H. Whitcomb.
472. Tay Bridge, across the Firth of Tay, Scotland; destroyed by the gale of December 28, 1879. Photograph. Presented by Alexander Nicol.
473. Early Log House in St. Paul, at the corner of Snelling and St. Anthony avenues. Pen sketch, made and presented by J. Desuarreux Larpenteur.
474. Gen. George A. Custer. Photograph, with his autograph. Presented by Prof. William F. Phelps.
475. Autograph Letter of General Custer to Professor Phelps, relating to No. 474.
- 476 and 477. Certificates of service in the corps of patriotic Minute Men called "Squirrel Hunters," and of Honorable Discharge, issued by Governor David Tod, of Ohio, to David Kennedy, for defending the southern border of Ohio against rebel invasion in September, 1862. Presented by Edwin S. Chittenden.
478. Flags of All Nations. Printed in colors.
479. Origin of the Stars and Stripes: Shield, Arms and Crest, and Facsimiles of Brass Memorial Tablets, of the Washington Family in Northamptonshire, England, with the Washington Pedigree; and a historical statement showing that George Washington supplied the design of the United States Flag from his Family Coat of Arms. Color print, published by the New York Life Insurance Company, 1883.
480. Portraits and Biographic Sketches of Betsy Ross, who in May, 1777, made the first Flag of Stars and Stripes for General Washington, and Hon. Peter H. Wendover, who drafted the bill enacted in Congress in 1818 for the present National Flag and its addition of new stars for new states; with a calendar of Notable Days in the History of the American Flag, and Dates of Admission of States and Addition of Stars to our Flag. Print, by A. Bedford, Boston, Mass., 1898.
481. Origin of the Stars and Stripes. Color print, partly similar to No. 479. Presented by John S. Sargent, Chicago, Ill., 1896.
482. Washington's Coat of Arms. Color sketch. Drafted and presented by Charlotte B. Long, Minneapolis, 1896.

IN THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL ROOMS AT THE OLD CAPITOL.

The International Exposition, New Orleans, 1884-85.

The following twelve large framed photographs (Nos. 483-494) of the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition at New Orleans in 1884-85, made by Edward L. Wilson and W. Irving Adams, were presented by Gov. William R. Merriam.

483. Board of United States Commissioners. Group of 37 commissioners from the several states, Hon. Oliver Gibbs being the member from Minnesota.
484. Exhibit by the Minnesota State Fish Commission.
485. Minnesota Exhibits, partly of Flour by Washburn, Crosby & Co., Minneapolis, etc.
486. Exhibits by the Geological and Natural History Survey of Minnesota, including a column of building stone from Mankato.
- 487 and 488. Woman's Department, Minnesota Exhibits.
489. Minnesota Wheat and Flour Exhibits.
490. Minnesota Sorghum Sirup and Sugar Exhibits.
491. General View of the Minnesota Section.
- 492 and 493. Minnesota Horticultural Exhibits, etc.
494. The Minnesota and Iowa Sections in the Main Exposition Building.

Archaeological and Miscellaneous.

The next three were presented by the late Hon. J. V. Brower.

495. The Kathio Bark. Me-dá-we (Medicine Lodge) Idioms, the Ojibway Life Line; showing the meaning of the Me-dá-we-gaun (Medicine Dance). Ojibway inscriptions on birch bark, received by Hon. J. V. Brower, from the Mille Lacs Ojibways, 1901.
496. Ojibway Ododaimuns. Inscriptions of 23 Totem figures, on a wide planed board, by Ah-zhu, 1901, at Mille Lacs.
497. Kathio Ododaimuns. Inscriptions of four Ojibway Totems, on planed boards, by Sa-gutch-u, 1901.
498. Hon. John C. Oswald, Minneapolis. Pastel, by Miss Russell. Presented by his Daughters, 1906.
499. Map of Lake Minnetonka, 1896. Lithograph. Presented by the publisher, George W. Cooley, C. E., Minneapolis.
500. Map of Lake Minnetonka, 1906. Lithograph in colors. Presented by Lieut. Col. George McC. Derby, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, under whose direction this map was surveyed and drafted by Horace Dunaway, Junior Engineer.
501. John P. Lyon, St. Paul, Drummer Boy in Company G, 81st Ohio Regiment, 1861-62, who was mustered into service five days before he was eleven years old. Pastel. Presented by his Widow.
502. Memorial Group and Roll of Company F, Tenth Minnesota Regiment, 1862-65. Photographs of Capt. George T. White and 24 others of this Company; with a manuscript list of its 110 enlisted men, who were from Waseca and Houston counties. Presented by a Committee of the Surviving Members of Company F.

IN THE MUSEUM AT THE NEW CAPITOL.

503. Governor Ramsey. Oil portrait, 1902. Loaned by the Artist, Miss McKinstry, of Faribault.
504. John Brown, whose "Soul is marching on," and his Widow. Photographs. Presented by Hon. Henry R. Wells, of Preston, in 1901, with his gift of the Melodeon formerly owned by John Brown and his family.
505. Group of Prehistoric Indian Pictographic Rocks, from near the large boulders called "The Three Maidens," at the Great Red Pipestone Quarries, Pipestone, Minn. Photograph. Presented by Charles H. Bennett, of Pipestone, 1906, who received a diploma and silver medal for their exhibition in the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, 1904.
506. Monument and Statue of Nathan Hale, Patriot Martyr of the American Revolution, erected in the City of New York by the Sons of the Revolution of the State of New York. Photograph.
507. Charter of the Nathan Hale Chapter, D. A. R., organized in St. Paul, November 30, 1895.
508. Officially Certified Facsimile of the Declaration of Independence and its signatures; with the Coats of Arms of the United States and of the Original States, printed in colors. Presented by Miss Mary Cecilia Ryan, of Elizabeth, N. J.
509. The Old Union School Building, New London, Conn., where Nathan Hale taught, and from which he went forth to his country's service. Photograph.
510. Birthplace of Nathan Hale, Coventry, Conn. Engraving.

The five last, Nos. 506 to 510, are loaned by the Nathan Hale Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

511. States of the Union: Meaning or Derivation of their Names, their Mottoes, Flags, State Flowers, and Nicknames. Engraving and print. Presented by the Compiler, B. J. Tiemann, New York City.
512. Hon. Edmund Rice, St. Paul. Pastel, by Miss Statelar. Presented by Sylvester Statelar, Faribault.
513. Bvt. Brig. Gen. Minor T. Thomas, Colonel of the Eighth Minnesota Regiment, 1862-65. Oil portrait. Presented by his Widow.
514. Alfred J. Hill, St. Paul, Archaeologist. Crayon portrait.
515. Rev. Edward C. Mitchell, St. Paul, Donor of the Mitchell Archaeological Collection, filling fourteen cases in this Museum. Pastel portrait.
516. Bishop Mahlon N. Gilbert, St. Paul. Pastel, by Miss Russell. Presented by many friends.
517. Bishop Henry B. Whipple, Faribault. Crayon portrait, with his autograph. Presented by his Widow.
518. Hon. Henry T. Welles, Minneapolis. Oil portrait, by N. R. Brewer. Presented by his Widow.
519. Cleo. A. Irvine, the first white girl born in St. Paul, March 1, 1844, who died January 23, 1906; Wife of Richard L. Gorman, by whom this crayon portrait was presented.
520. Dr. David Day, St. Paul. Crayon portrait. Presented by his Widow.
521. Hon. William P. Murray, St. Paul. Pastel portrait.

- 522. August L. Larpenteur, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
 - 523. Mrs. A. L. Larpenteur. Crayon portrait.
 - 524. Jean Baptist Faribault. Photograph.
 - 525. Alexander Faribault, Founder of Faribault, Minn. Crayon portrait.
- The two last were presented by William R. Faribault, of St. Louis, 1906.
- 526. Hon. John D. Ludden, St. Paul. Engraving.
 - 527. Hon. John M. Gilman, St. Paul. Engraving.
 - 528. Edward A. Bromley, Minneapolis. Photograph.
 - 529. Jesse H. Pomroy, St. Paul, Builder of Forts Ripley and Ridgely. Crayon portrait. Presented by his Widow.
 - 530. James J. Hill, St. Paul, President of the Great Northern Railway Company. Photograph.
 - 531. Hon. William R. Merriam, Governor of Minnesota, 1889-93. Photograph.
 - 532. St. Anthony Falls, 1869. Photograph.
 - 533. St. Paul in 1864; view from Dayton Bluff, with the river at flood stage. Photograph, by J. E. Whitney.
 - 534. Col. Charles J. Monfort, St. Paul. Oil portrait, by Herbert Conner. Presented by his Daughter, Mrs. J. W. G. Dunn.
 - 535. Elmer H. Dearth, St. Paul, State Insurance Commissioner, 1897-99 and 1901-05. Pastel portrait.
 - 536. Rev. Henry M. Simmons, Minneapolis. Oil portrait, by T. S. Russell. Presented by Elwood S. Corser and other friends.
 - 537. Captain Peter Berkey, St. Paul. Crayon portrait.
 - 538. Hon. Benjamin W. Brunson, St. Paul, Pastel portrait. Presented by his Sons.
 - 539. Henry Hale, St. Paul. Crayon portrait. Presented by his Widow.
 - 540. Committee appointed by Governor Johnson to arrange for the Removal of the Battle Flags from the Old to the New Capitol, June 14, 1905: Lieut. Col. Charles F. Hausdorf, Gen. Judson W. Bishop, Major James M. Bowler, Musician Charles R. Fix, Gen. Lucius F. Hubbard, Capt. Loren W. Collins, Lieut. David L. Kingsbury, and Sergt. James H. Abbett. Group photograph, made and presented by A. H. Opsahl, Minneapolis.
 - 541. Procession of Removal of the Old Flags from the Old Capitol, June 14, 1905. Photograph.
 - 542. The Living Flag of School Children at the Removal of the Old Flags, June 14, 1905. Photograph.
 - 543. Fort Snelling in 1851. Photograph, from a painting by Sergeant Thomas in the U. S. Capitol, in the Room of the Military Committee of Congress. Presented by Hon. James A. Tawney, 1906.
 - 544. Arctic Flowers from the vicinity of Nome, Alaska. Herbarium specimens, framed. Collected and presented by Milton N. McLean.
 - 545. Frontier Cabin and Family of Richard Eilertson, Malung, Roseau County, Minn. Photograph. Presented by Mr. Eilertson.

The following Nos. 546 to 564, portraits engraved from photographs, were published in Volumes IX and X of this Society's Historical Collections.

- 546. Hon. George N. Lamphere, St. Paul.
- 547. Gen. Judson W. Bishop, St. Paul.
- 548. Captain Edwin Bell, of St. Paul.

549. Henry S. Fairchild, St. Paul.
 550. Judge John R. Carey, Duluth.
 551. Daniel S. B. Johnston, St. Paul.
 552. Judge Moses Sherburne, St. Paul.
 553. Prof. David L. Kiehle, Minneapolis.
 554. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan D. White. (Mrs. White was taken a captive by the Sioux in 1862.)
 555. Daniel Stanchfield, Minneapolis.
 556. Franklin Steele, Minneapolis.
 557. Hon. Sumner W. Farnham, Minneapolis.
 558. Hon. Dorilus Morrison, Minneapolis.
 559. Gen. William G. Le Duc, Hastings.
 560. Hon. Thomas Simpson, Winona.
 561. Major Salmon A. Buell, Minneapolis.
 562. Hon. William W. Pendergast, Hutchinson.
 563. Rev. Solon W. Manney, Chaplain at Fort Ripley.
 564. Rev. George C. Tanner, D. D., Faribault, Historian of the Diocese of Minnesota.
 565. Hon. Ignatius Donnelly. Engraving, with his autograph. Presented by his Widow.
 566. Hon. Ignatius Donnelly's Study in his Home at Nininger, near Hastings.
 567. Home of Hon. Ignatius Donnelly at Nininger.
 568. High Bridge at Hastings, built in 1894-95; view looking north.
- The three last are photographs by Howard W. Crosby.
569. Coarse Limestone Debris, northeast bluff of the Mississippi river near the High Bridge in St. Paul. Photograph, made and presented by Prof. C. W. Hall.
 570. Celebration of the Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the coming of Groscilliers and Radisson, the First White Men in Minnesota, on Prairie Island, August 24, 1905.
 571. Chimney Rock, sec 31, Marshan, Dakota County; view looking southeast.

The two last are photographs, made and presented by Howard W. Crosby.

572. Castle Rock, Dakota County, 1875. (The upper part has since fallen.) Photograph.

The next five, Nos. 573 to 577, are large photographs, presented from the State Exhibits at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis, 1904.

573. Flour Mills, Minneapolis; view of the west side of the river, with the Stone Arch Railway Bridge.
574. City of St. Paul; view looking north, from the southwest side of the river.
575. State School for the Deaf and Dumb, Faribault.
576. State Asylum for the Insane, Rochester.
577. State Prison, Stillwater.
578. Board of State Capitol Commissioners, 1893-1905: Edgar Weaver, Mankato; Charles H. Graves, Duluth; George A. Du Toit, Chaska; E. E. Corliss, Fergus Falls; John De Laittre, Minneapolis; Channing Seabury, St. Paul; and H. W. Lamberton, Winona. Group photograph.
579. The New Capitol, front elevation.

580. Minnesota Senate in Session in the New Capitol, April, 1905.
The two last are engravings, from photographs by Edmund A. Brush, published in a Supplement of *The Western Architect*, Minneapolis, October, 1905.
581. State Officials and Employees, First Government in the New Capitol, 1905-06. Group of 168 Portraits, with their names; and Scenes at the Beginning of Construction of the New Capitol, the Laying of its Corner Stone, the completed building, and eighteen views of its rooms, corridors, staircases, etc. Collective photograph, by John Bowers.
582. Accepted Design for the Monument to Minnesota Troops at Vicksburg, Mississippi. Water color sketch. Presented by Gen. C. C. Andrews, for the Minnesota Monument Commission.

IN THE LIBRARY READING ROOM AT THE NEW CAPITOL.

(Nos. 1 to 43 are also in this room.)

583. First Arrivals at St. Paul and Last Departures of Steamboats on the Mississippi River in the years 1844 to 1887. Framed Manuscript. Tabulated and presented by Martin N. Kellogg.
584. Map of Manitoba, 1897.
585. Geological Map of North Dakota, by Prof. Charles M. Hall, 1902.
586. Plan of this Society's Rooms in the New Capitol.
587. Governor Henry H. Sibley. Plaster Bust, 1860, by Henry Dexter. Presented by the sculptor's daughter, Mrs. Annie E. Douglass, Cambridgeport, Mass.
588. Autograph Letter of George Washington, dated "12th of August, 1754," relating to the troops under his command after the battle at Great Meadows or Fort Necessity, in western Pennsylvania, which was on July 2 and 3 of that year, preceding the disastrous expedition with General Braddock. (See this Society's Scrapbook No. 21, pages 98, 99, for the text of this letter, and of Washington's description of the Potomac river, written by himself on its reverse side.) Framed Manuscript, to be read on both sides. Presented by Wallace B. White, of Washington, D. C., 1870.

IN THE NEWSPAPER ROOM AT THE NEW CAPITOL.

589. Representative Journals and Journalists of America. Lithograph, published by Root & Tinker, New York City, 1882. Presented by the Travelers' Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn. This collective engraving (nearly the same as No. 353 in the Old Capitol) comprises portraits of the following editors, their autographs, and photographic miniatures of title-pages of their newspapers:
- James Gordon Bennett, New York Herald.
George W. Childs, Public Ledger, Philadelphia.
Charles A. Dana, New York Sun.
Murat Halstead, Cincinnati Commercial.
E. B. Haskell, Boston Herald.
Gen. Joseph R. Hawley, Hartford Courant.
Victor F. Lawson, Chicago Daily News.

Joseph Medill, Chicago Tribune.
 Oswald Ottendorfer, New Yorker Staats-Zeitung.
 R. M. Pulsifer, Boston Herald.
 Whitelaw Reid, New York Tribune.
 Henry Watterson, Louisville Courier-Journal.
 Thurlow Weed, veteran retired editor.

(See also No. 352 in the Old Capitol.)

590. Charter of Typographical Union No. 42, of St. Anthony and Minneapolis, granted by the National Typographical Union of the United States to D. L. Paine, A. J. Underwood, J. B. Chaney, and others, Sept. 10, 1859.

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 Holcombe, Return I., St. Paul.
 Horn, Alexander E., St. Paul.
 Hudson, Horace B., Minneapolis.
 Ingersoll, George E., St. Paul.
 Ives, Hon. Gideon S., St. Paul.
 Jewett, Stephen, Faribault, Minn.
 Kinsey, Samuel T. P., St. Paul.
 Lange, Prof. D. J., St. Paul.
 Leach, Dr. Reginald B., St. Paul.
 Lockey, Joseph, St. Paul.
 McKusick, Levi H., Pine City, Minn.
 Miller, Hon. John, Duluth, Minn.
 Nelson, Edward, Hallock, Minn.
 O'Brien, Frank G., Minneapolis.
 Perley, Hon. George E., Moorhead, Minn.
 Pollock, Miss Hester M., St. Paul.
 Putnam, Douglas, St. Paul.
 Simpson, Hon. George T., Winona, Minn.
 Stevens, Hon. Frederick C., St. Paul.
 Stowell, Hon. William H. H., St. Paul.
 Tiffany, Francis B., St. Paul.
 Wadsworth, Henry, Glencoe, Minn.
 Waite, Hon. Henry, C., St. Cloud, Minn.
 Washburn, J. L., Duluth, Minn.
 Wright, Rev. John, St. Paul.

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Corresponding members	82
Life members	223
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Total	365

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This is a republication of the "Annals" of the Society, which were issued in parts, dated 1850, '51, '52, '53, and '56, and which were not consecutively paged. It is termed "COLLECTIONS OF THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, VOL. I. St. Paul: 1872" (octavo, pp. 519), and has an elaborate index. In 1902 it was again reprinted; pages xii., 430. Price, \$2.50.

CONTENTS.

The French Voyageurs to Minnesota during the Seventeenth Century, by Rev. E. D. Neill.

Description of Minnesota (1850), by Hon. H. H. Sibley.

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Early Schools of Minnesota, by D. A. J. Baker.

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The Dakota Language, by Rev. S. R. Riggs.

History and Physical Geography of Minnesota, by H. R. Schoolcraft.

Letter of Mesnard, by Rev. E. D. Neill.

The Saint Louis River, by T. M. Fullerton.

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Schoolcraft's Exploring Tour of 1832, by Rev. W. T. Boutwell.

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Memoir of Jean N. Nicollet, by Hon. H. H. Sibley.

Sketch of Joseph Renville, by E. D. Neill.

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Obituary of James M. Goodhue, by E. D. Neill.

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Louis Hennepin, the Franciscan, and Sieur Du Luth, the Explorer.

Le Sueur, the Explorer of the Minnesota River.

D'Iberville, an Abstract of his Memorial.

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Capt. Jonathan Carver and his Explorations.

Pike's Explorations in Minnesota.

Who Discovered Itasca Lake? by Wm. Morrison.

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Running the Gauntlet, by Wm. J. Snelling.

Reminiscences, Historical and Personal, by Hon. H. H. Sibley.

VOLUME II.

Volume 2 was published in three parts, dated respectively 1860, 1864 and 1867. Part 3 was not, at first, consecutively paged, and thus the volume could not be conveniently indexed; but that part has been reprinted (in 1889), and the account of the celebration of the Carver Centenary is added, with an index of the whole volume. Pages 294. Price \$2.50.

CONTENTS.

- Voyage in a Six-oared Skiff to the Falls of St. Anthony, in 1817, by Maj. Stephen H. Long.
 Early French Forts, and Footprints of the Valley of the Upper Mississippi, by Rev. E. D. Neill.
 Occurrences in and around Fort Snelling, from 1819 to 1840, by Rev. E. D. Neill.
 Religion of the Dakotas (Chapter VI. of James W. Lynd's Manuscripts).
 Mineral Regions of Lake Superior, from their First Discovery to 1865, by Hon. Henry M. Rice.
 Constantine Beltrami, by Alfred J. Hill.
 Historical Notes on the United States Land Office, by Hon. Henry M. Rice.
 The Geography of Perrot, so far as it relates to Minnesota, by Alfred J. Hill.
 Dakota Superstitions, by Rev. Gideon H. Pond.
 The Carver Centenary, an Account of the Celebration, May 1st, 1867, of the One-Hundredth Anniversary of the Council and Treaty of Capt. Jonathan Carver, with the Naudowessies, at Carver's Cave in St. Paul, with an Address by Rev. John Mattocks.

VOLUME III.

Published in three parts, dated 1870, 1874, and 1880; paged continuously, and indexed; illustrated with a steel engraving of Rev. John Mattocks. Pages, viii., 433. Price, \$2.50.

CONTENTS.

- Relation of M. Penicaut, translated by Alfred J. Hill; with an Introductory Note by Rev. E. D. Neill.
 Bibliography of Minnesota, by J. Fletcher Williams.
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 Narrative of Paul Ma-za-koo-te-mane, translated by Rev. S. R. Riggs.
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 Sketch of John Other Day, by Hon. H. H. Sibley.
 A Coincidence, by Mrs. Charlotte O. Van Cleve.
 Memoir of Hon. James W. Lynd, by Rev. S. R. Riggs.
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 Indian Warfare in Minnesota, by Rev. S. W. Pond.
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 Na-peh-shnee-doo-ta, a Dakota Christian, by Rev. T. S. Williamson.
 Memoir of Hercules L. Dousman, by Gen. H. H. Sibley.
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 Reminiscences of the Early Days of Minnesota, by Hon. H. H. Sibley.
 The Sioux, or Dakotas, of the Missouri River, by Rev. T. S. Williamson.
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 Memorial Notices of Rev. Gideon H. Pond, by Rev. S. R. Riggs, Hon. H. H. Sibley, and Rev. T. S. Williamson.
 In Memory of Rev. Thomas S. Williamson, by Rev. S. R. Riggs and A. W. Williamson.
 The Inkpaduta Massacre of 1857, by Hon. Charles E. Flandrau.

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HISTORY OF THE CITY OF ST. PAUL AND COUNTY OF RAMSEY, MINNESOTA, by J. FLETCHER WILLIAMS, containing a very full sketch of the first settlement and early days of St. Paul, 1838 to 1848, and of the Territory from 1849 to 1858; lists of the early settlers and claim owners; amusing events of pioneer days; biographical sketches of over two hundred prominent men of early times; three steel portraits, and forty-seven wood-cuts (portraits and views); lists of federal, county and city officers since 1849, statistics, and index; published in 1876. Pages, 475. Price, \$3.50.

VOLUME V.

HISTORY OF THE OJIBWAY NATION, by WILLIAM W. WARREN (deceased); a valuable work, containing the legends and traditions of the Ojibways, their origin, history, customs, religion, daily life and habits, ideas, biographies of leading chieftains and orators, vivid descriptions of battles, etc. The work was carefully edited by Rev. Edward D. Neill, who added an appendix of 116 pages, giving an account of the Ojibways from official and other records. It also contains a portrait of Warren, a memoir of him by J. Fletcher Williams, and a copious index. Published in 1885. Pages, 535. Price, \$3.50.

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Published in three parts, in 1887, 1891, and 1894; comprising miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest; with eight portraits and index. Pages, iv., 556. Price, \$2.50.

CONTENTS.

- The Sources of the Mississippi, their Discoveries, Real and Pretended, by Hon. James H. Baker.
 The Hennepin Bi-centenary: Celebration by the Minnesota Historical Society of the 200th Anniversary of the Discovery of the Falls of St. Anthony in 1680, by Father Louis Hennepin.
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 Protestant Missions in the Northwest, by Rev. Stephen R. Riggs; with a Memoir of the author by J. F. Williams.

- Autobiography of Major Lawrence Taliaferro, Indian Agent at Fort Snelling, 1820 to 1840.
- Memoir of Gen. Henry Hastings Sibley, by J. Fletcher Williams.
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- Columbian Address, delivered by Hon. H. W. Childs, before the Minnesota Historical Society, Oct. 21, 1892.
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- Earliest Schools in Minnesota Valley, by Rev. T. S. Williamson.
- Traditions of Sioux Indians, by Major William H. Forbes.
- Death of a Remarkable Man, Gabriel Franchere, by Hon. Benjamin P. Avery.
- First Settlement on the Red River of the North in 1812, and the Condition in 1847, by Mrs. Elizabeth T. Ayers.
- Frederick Ayer, Teacher and Missionary to the Ojibway Indians, 1829 to 1850.
- Captivity among the Sioux: the Story of Nancy McClure.
- Captivity among the Sioux: the Story of Mary Schwandt.
- Autobiography and Reminiscences of Philander Prescott.
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THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND ITS SOURCE: a Narrative and Critical History of the River and its Headwaters, accompanied by the Results of detailed Hydrographic and Topographic Surveys; illustrated with many maps, portraits, and views of scenery; by HON. J. V. BROWER, Commissioner of the Itasca State Park, representing also the State Historical Society. With an appendix: How the Mississippi River and the Lake of the Woods became instrumental in the Establishment of the Northwestern Boundary of the United States, by Alfred J. Hill. Published in 1893. Pages, xv., 360. Price, \$2.50.

VOLUME VIII.

Published in three parts, 1895, 1896, and 1898; miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest; with 28 plates (portraits, views, maps, etc.), and 7 figures in the text. Pages xii., 542. Price, \$2.50.

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- The Origin and Growth of the Minnesota Historical Society, by the President, Hon. Alex. Ramsey.
- Opening of the Red River of the North to Commerce and Civilization (with Plates II. and III.), by Capt. Russell Blakeley.
- Last Days of Wisconsin Territory and Early Days of Minnesota Territory, by Hon. Henry L. Moss.

- Lawyers and Courts of Minnesota prior to and during its Territorial Period, by Judge Charles E. Flandrau.
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- The Historical Value of Newspapers, by J. B. Chaney.
- The United States Government Publications, by D. L. Kingsbury.
- The First Organized Government of Dakota, by Gov. Samuel J. Albright; with a Preface by Judge Charles E. Flandrau.
- How Minnesota Became a State, by Prof. Thomas F. Moran.
- Minnesota's Northern Boundary, by Alexander N. Winchell.
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Published in April, 1901; miscellaneous papers on the history of Minnesota and the Northwest, with 22 plates (portraits and maps). Pages, xiv., 694. Price, \$2.50.

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ITASCA STATE PARK, AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY, by J. V. BROWER, Author of Volume VII., Minnesota Historical Collections, 1893, etc.; with 11 maps and 88 other illustrations (page plates and figures in the text), mostly portraits and views from photographs. Printed, 1904; published February, 1905. Pages, 285. Price, \$2.50.

In 1888 the Society published a Catalogue of its Library, then containing 14,421 bound volumes and 13,593 pamphlets. This catalogue, which forms two octavo volumes (1,016 and 839 pages), is supplied to public libraries, high schools, colleges, and universities, on receiving request for it.

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ST. PAUL, MINN., April 10, 1907.

WARREN UPHAM, Secretary.

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St. Paul, Minn., April 10, 1902.

Wm. L. Allen, Secretary.

